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## Border bust nets 76 kg of marijuana

**ARREST** For the second time this week, border agents in Buffalo say they've found a big load of marijuana in a commercial truck coming from Canada.

Customs and Border Protection officials say an X-ray of a New Jersey-bound truck at the Peace Bridge yesterday led them to 76 kilograms of marijuana concealed in a load of paint additive.

The driver, a 38-year-old Brampton man was arrested on federal charges of importation and possession of a controlled substance.

He was turned over to immigration agents.

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## Spenders attracted to savers

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## Ryerson **Not fretting over failed record attempt**

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Femi Lawson, with guitar, a criminal law student at Ryerson, participates yesterday in the Air Guitar Guinness Book of Records event. The group missed out on the record of 1,261 guitarists after drawing 757 people at Ryerson University.

# Bryant: VIPrisoner

## Critics say ex-attorney general received special treatment

**The suit, dress shirt and tie had already been dropped off at the station before Staff Sgt. Brian Bowman began his shift at 4:30 a.m.**

"I've never seen anybody bring a suit — personally — in my 28 years," Bowman said yesterday when asked if that was unusual.

After spending the night in a holding cell, former attorney general Michael Bryant was released around 2:30 p.m. without appearing before a judge. He looked tired, but polished and fresh-faced, wearing appropriate attire for his news conference outside Traffic Services in Liberty Village.

Critics claim Bryant received VIP treatment.

"Everyone else would have appeared unshaven and dishevelled in bail court, everyone — unless you're a cop, or you're an important politician," defence lawyer Edward Sapiano said yesterday.

**Bryant Charged**

Defence lawyer David Midanik said bringing fresh clothes to a police station for an accused is a little unusual. "I think your average street criminal would not be given that indulgence."

The result was the former attorney general appeared "better in the press" than he would have had he been held for a bail hearing, he said.

"He was definitely treated less harshly than most people charged with that offence," Midanik added.

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## Waiting game continues for Balsillie

Jim Balsillie's bid for the Phoenix Coyotes remains on hold.

A U.S. bankruptcy hearing adjourned yesterday without a decision on whether the BlackBerry boss could take part in an auction for the troubled NHL franchise.

There was no immediate word on when Judge Redfield T. Baum will rule on the issues.

"I totally respect the court process. Whenever he rules it I will respect his ruling," Balsillie said.

"I still think our bid is best by far — the best for creditors, for fans and the long-term viability of the team. All I wanted from the very beginning is a chance for a level-playing-field court-supervised auction where we could participate."

"The process continues but we are getting closer to a culmination of these proceedings," said NHL commissioner Gary Bettman, who added he was not disappointed that Baum did not make a ruling yesterday.

Balsillie and Bettman were both in court expecting a key decision on the future of the Coyotes.

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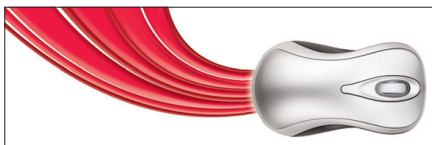
**Auction**

- Judge Redfield T. Baum has to decide if Jim Balsillie can participate in a Sept. 10 auction for the NHL club, even though the league has rejected his bid to purchase the franchise.



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**20-year-old cyclist sustains injuries after struck by vehicle**
A woman cycling northbound on McCaul Street swerved to avoid the open door of a parked vehicle Tuesday morning. When she dodged the door, she was struck by another vehicle. The woman was taken to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Local

## Passenger starts bus blaze

**A man torched a TTC night bus early yesterday morning as it headed north on Yonge Street, forcing passengers onto the sidewalk as they watched their ride home go up in flames. Around 2:30 a.m., the bus had just passed Bloor Street when a man and woman at the back of the bus got into a verbal altercation, a TTC spokesperson reported. Upset, the man used an unknown substance to start a fire that soon ripped through the bus. The bus driver stopped and evacuated the vehicle. Nobody was injured in the fire. The man who set the fire fled the scene.** TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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# 'Let me be clear: I am innocent'

## Michael Bryant resigns Invest Toronto CEO post to focus on clearing his name

**The former high-profile Ontario cabinet minister criminally charged in the death of a bicycle courier says he's innocent of the accusations against him.**

Michael Bryant made the comments in a statement yesterday announcing his resignation as CEO of Invest Toronto, a new corporation tasked with attracting investment to the city.

"Let me be clear: I am innocent of the very serious accusations made against me," Bryant said in a letter to his boss, Toronto Mayor David Miller.

Michael Bryant

"I do not believe, however, that I can continue in this position on account of the circumstances of the past two days."

The former attorney general, who announced he was leaving politics in May, is facing charges of criminal negligence causing death and dangerous operation of a motor vehicle causing death after an alleged confrontation Monday night with bicycle courier Darcy Allan Sheppard.

Ontario's Ministry of the Attorney General is in the process of retaining independent counsel to prosecute the case, said spokesman Brendan Crawley.

He declined to comment further until the details are finalized.

Miller, who is also chairman of Invest Toronto, called Monday's incident "tragic and sad on many levels."

"My condolences remain with the family and friends of Darcy Allan Sheppard. My thoughts are also with Mr. Bryant and his family at this difficult time," he said in a statement accepting Bryant's resignation.

**Bryant Charged**

Police say Sheppard, 33, grabbed onto a car following an altercation with the driver. They say the driver drove away with Sheppard hanging on. He then fell and suffered fatal injuries.

Sheppard's girlfriend says he was drinking the night he died. Misty Bailey said Sheppard was drunk when he visited her, where he rested and slept, then insisted on going home.

Bailey said she didn't ask him to leave and would have loved for him to stay where she knew he'd be safe. Sheppard, at one point, was in the back of a police cruiser and Bailey asked police to drive him home, but instead they let Sheppard go, she said.

Police have said they responded to a call about Sheppard barely an hour before his death, but added there were no allegations of criminal activity.

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## Tragedy spotlights clashes between drivers, cyclists

In the wake of Monday night's high-profile tragedy, long simmering tensions between cyclists and drivers on Toronto's streets have come to a boil.

On Tuesday, after the death of Darcy Allan Sheppard and the arrest of former Ontario attorney general Michael Bryant, Sheppard's fellow bicycle couriers gathered on Bloor Street, putting a spotlight on the clash between cyclists and motorists on city streets.

The Ontario Safety League's Brian Patterson says both cyclists and motorists increasingly fail to show common courtesy, and Monday's fatality provoked people to air long-held frustrations.

"It seems to me that, certainly in the last 10 years, the level of civility among pedestrians, drivers and cyclists has deteriorated," he said.

Cycling has become a highly politicized mode of transportation in recent years, growing alongside increased public awareness of greenhouse gas emissions and health issues and a push for cycling infrastructure from city hall.

> **"Certainly in the last 10 years, the level of civility ... has deteriorated."**
> Brian Patterson, Ontario Safety League

Patterson says we need a three-pronged approach to road safety: Engineering; education; and enforcement. He says we need more safety awareness programs and should ticket cyclists and motorists more frequently for infractions.

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## Memorial **Mourning a friend**

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Allan Sheppard's friend, Steph Thompson, mourns the bike courier's death at a memorial that shut down three lanes of eastbound and westbound traffic on Bloor Street last night.

## 'Big shoes' to fill at Invest Toronto

**FUTURE** The next step for the agency created by Mayor David Miller to lure investment to Toronto is up in the air, given the sudden departure of Michael Bryant, the man recently named to lead it.

While asserting his innocence, Bryant resigned from his $300,000-a-year post as CEO of Invest Toronto yesterday in the wake of criminal charges laid against him in the death of cyclist Darcy Allan Sheppard Monday.

Bryant was working on a business strategy to present to the 15-member board.

Miller, who was unavailable for interviews yesterday, has told board members a meeting will be held soon to discuss next steps, including Bryant's replacement.

Coun. Joe Mihevc said "those are very, very big shoes to fill.

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**66-year-old cyclist struck by streetcar sustains life-threatening injuries**
The man was travelling south on Spadina Avenue near Nassau Street when he made a left turn against a red U-turn signal Tuesday. He was hit by a streetcar headed southbound through a green transit signal. The cyclist was taken to hospital. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## Frosh Week **Aaargooos!**

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University of Toronto frosh give the practicing Argonauts a cheer as the Toronto Argonauts prepare for their upcoming game against the Hamilton Ti-Cats at the practice field at University of Toronto Erindale Campus in Mississauga.
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# Cruise caught in legal eddy

## Renewal of longtime Maid of the Mist contract questioned

**The Niagara Parks Commission was ordered yesterday to review its controversial decision to renew the contract for the Maid of the Mist tour boats without taking competitive bids.**

The Ministry of Tourism directed the parks commission to revisit the 25-year renewal given to the Maid of the Mist Steamboat Co. to ferry tourists up close to Niagara Falls.

Ontario's integrity commissioner cleared commission chairman Jim Williams of any wrongdoing in renewing the contract after a complaint from another parks commissioner, Bob Gale.

Gale objected to the fact that the lease for the Maid of the Mist tours was renewed without putting the contract out to tender, and that commissioners were not informed there were other potential bidders who were interested.

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The Maids of the Mist as seen from the Rainbow Bridge in Niagara Falls.

An American businessman took the parks commission to court in an attempt to stop what he described as a secret lease renewal from proceeding.

Bill Windsor of Atlanta first approached the commission about submitting a bid for the Maid of the Mist contract in 2005, but was told it wasn't accepting bids.

Windsor's lawyer, Graydon Sheppard, has said no other company or person has had a chance to bid on the Maid of the Mist contract in more than a century.

The Maid of the Mist Steamboat Co. leases land from the parks commission on the Canadian shore of the Niagara River as a base for its tour boats.

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# Shooting leaves man dead

**GUN VIOLENCE** A 30-year-old man is dead after a fatal shooting behind a city housing complex near Pape and Riverdale avenues early yesterday.

At around 1 a.m., a pregnant Latanya Burnett got out of bed to use the washroom when she heard her boyfriend open the door. He had been out with friends to celebrate his 30th birthday.

At that moment, she heard four or five shots go "kabang!" said Burnett, who lives in a unit at 30 Blake St. "A couple minutes later, I heard the last one. The last one, I knew, connected to something."

Burnett ran downstairs to make sure her boyfriend, Conroy Stubbs, was safe.

It was then she heard two moans coming from the back of her unit. "That was when we knew someone was in our backyard," Burnett said.

Police arrived around 1:30 a.m. and found the body a bit later.

Police yesterday identified the victim, but are not releasing his name until his family has been notified. A post-mortem has been scheduled for today.

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## **News** in brief

**ARREST** Police say they have caught a burglar who was plaguing the Spadina Avenue-Bloor Street West area. A man was arrested breaking into two homes Tuesday at 2 p.m., police said, adding they believe he committed other burglaries in the area. Ross Stevens, 47, faces 42 break-and-enter charges and one count each of possession of burglar's tools and attempted break-and-enter. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# OLG stops $30M casino building payment

**AUDIT** The troubled Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corp. has stopped payment on two casino building projects worth about $30 million while internal auditors investigate the winning general contracting company's "bidding practices."

At issue are a series of "surcharges" levied by general contractor Govan Brown on the many subtrades it has hired to expand casino and slot machine properties in Brantford and Ajax. The five individual surcharges total 7.5 per cent of each subtrade's contract, and could add up to about $2 million.

Bid documents obtained by the Star show Govan Brown instructs subtrades to include surcharge amounts in their bids for such things as site cleanup. One subtrade contacted by the Star said he dutifully included the surcharges in his successful bids. Although his company does the site cleanup or other work, he said they do not receive the surcharge money.

The OLG said it never approved these surcharges. OLG spokesperson Allison Sparkes said yesterday resolving the matter with Govan Brown is a priority for the crown agency.

She said allegations "regarding (Govan Brown's) bidding practices" were first received July 22. A review began immediately and then August 21 the OLG met with Govan Brown officials and told them payment was being stopped pending outcome of the probes.

Govan Brown's chief financial officer, Eric Wegler, emailed the Star yesterday saying he welcomes the audit. "Previous audits, which are routine and which we welcome on any project, have always demonstrated and confirmed our unparalleled transparency and high ethical standards," he told the Star. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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**Woman critical after collision**

A 43-year-old woman is in critical condition at a Toronto trauma centre after a driver collided with the vehicle she was riding in on a Mississauga road. Ian Rough, 29, of Mississauga is charged with impaired driving causing bodily harm and having a blood alcohol content of over .80. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Vaccine's on track, officials say

Flu Outbreak

**HEALTH** Canada's top health officials say the country is not lagging behind other nations in flu preparation and Canada is on track to have a swine flu vaccine by mid-November.

As 150 delegates from across the country began a conference on the virus in Winnipeg yesterday, Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq said recent criticism that Canada is unprepared for a second wave of the pandemic is unfounded.

"There have been reports implying that Canada has been slow off the mark in placing its H1N1 vaccine order, that our production schedule is not sufficiently aggressive or that our regulators are being overly cautious," Aglukkaq told reporters at a news conference yesterday.

"Those reports are simply wrong. We will have H1N1 vaccine available in Canada at around the same time as most other countries. We will have enough vaccine for every Canadian that needs and wants to be immunized."

The government has indicated it plans to use vaccine with an adjuvant, a boosting compound that can allow a half dose or a third of a dose to be used for each person.

Earlier this week, an editorial in the Canadian Medical Association Journal urged the government to use a vaccine without an adjuvant booster in an effort to fast-track vaccinating. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Poll reveals H1N1 fact awareness

**HEALTH** A new poll suggests an overwhelming majority of Canadians understand they can't get the influenza A (H1N1) virus from eating pork, despite the early labelling of the illness as "swine flu."

The Harris-Decima survey found that just six per cent of respondents felt they could get the flu from handling or eating pork, while 90 per cent said there is no such risk.

**87%** The percentage of poll respondents who said they're eating just as many pork products as before the flu outbreak, with only three per cent noting a decline in consumption.

The survey would appear to undermine arguments from pork producers, who claim hog prices have been decimated this year by public reaction to the flu outbreak.

The Conservative government announced a $75-million bailout for pig farmers last month, partly in the form of loan guarantees for producers anxious to leave the business.

The telephone poll of just over 1,000 Canadians was conducted August 20-23 and has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.1 per cent, 19 times in 20.

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# Labour Day snub

## Anti-contract politicians unwelcome: Council

**Showing just how deep the wounds are after the bitter 39-day civic strike, the Toronto and York Region Labour Council says politicians who voted against ratifying the contracts with the city unions aren't welcome on the reviewing stand at Monday's Labour Day parade.**

TORSTAR FILE PHOTO

Managers and strikers sit at the same table during the city workers' strike at Sunnyside Park in Toronto in July. The Toronto and York Region Labour Councils have said politicians against recent contract ratifications aren't welcome at the Labour Day Parade.

Cartwright

Back on July 22, in the midst of the strike, labour council president John Cartwright invited Mayor David Miller and city councillors on the CNE Association board to join him on the reviewing stand inside Dufferin Gate as the parade passes by Monday morning.

Councillor Michael Thompson accepted the invitation last week. Yesterday, his office was told the councillor's presence would be inappropriate, "given the municipal strike this summer and his vote against the contract."

Unbowed, Thompson said he will go anyway.

Councillors Brian Ashton and Norm Kelly also voted against ratifying deals with unionized civic workers, but have yet to accept the invitation. If they do, they'll be told the same thing as Thompson, Cartwright said.

"These guys were basically showing complete disrespect for workers," Cartwright said. "Labour Day is about a celebration of the contribution that union members make to our great city, and if you disrespect that, then it's really not appropriate for you to be there."

Asked if Miller, a perennial guest, would be welcome, Cartwright said: "I don't think he's going to be there. We've indicated our unhappiness with his approach."

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**Cyclist seriously injured in collision with SUV**

A Bowmanville cyclist suffered life-threatening head trauma in a collision with an SUV in Pickering Tuesday evening. The collision occurred when the 48-year-old woman, who was not wearing a helmet, rode from a sidewalk on to Bayly Street about 5:40 p.m. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# CNE's one-man spectacle

## Dapper street performer discusses his juggling show

**Aytahn Ross stands out in a crowd at the Canadian National Exhibition.**

At an event where most people come dressed in shorts and a T-shirt, or a cool summer dress, the Montrealer looks conspicuous in his dark suit, complete with tuxedo jacket and top hat.

Oh yeah, and he's also the guy who juggles crystal balls and balances books on his nose.

Ross, 35, is one of the street performers on the circular stage outside the Food Building. To learn more about his one-man show, Circus Montreal, we asked him five questions:

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Aytahn Ross, who goes by the stage name Circus Montreal, with crystal balls at the CNE last week.

**Q What's the toughest part of your act?**

**A** Juggling crystal balls while balancing them on my forehead. They're difficult tricks and it's such a beautiful piece that, if I mess up or it looks sloppy, it ruins it.

**Q How do you train yourself to do it?**

**A** You just add one thing at a time — so if I want to balance a ball on my head, I'll try that first.

**Q How do you make a living off this?**

**A** There's always something, whether it's Christmas, Mardi Gras ... I'm hoping to go to Australia or New Zealand. The summers are the big seasons. I tour every kind of festival. I was at the Edmonton Fringe Theatre Festival and Just for Laughs.

**Q What do you like about your job?**

**A** It's nice to be outdoors after our winters. As small as it must seem, it's nice that my job is to make people happy. It doesn't matter that I'm on the "seagull target stage," as they call it. You really affect people.

**Q 'Seagull target stage?'**

**A** There are a lot of seagulls around because of the discarded food. I'm trying to train them, actually, using french fries. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Reveal report on status of women, law firm told

**GENDER** In the wake of a lawsuit alleging "systemic, gender-based discrimination," one of the country's biggest law firms is being forced next week to reveal top-secret data on the way it compensates and promotes lawyers.

McCarthy Tétrault LLP must also release an internal report on the status of women at the firm prepared by Catalyst Inc., well-known consultants on gender issues in the workplace.

The Superior Court of Ontario has ordered McCarthys to provide that information as a result of a $12-million lawsuit filed by a former McCarthys partner, Diane LaCalamita.

McCarthys, which "vigorously denies" that LaCalamita was a victim of any discrimination, has until Sept. 7 to comply.

LaCalamita says she was recruited in 2003 to help create a group within the firm specializing in the legal issues of intellectual property. She claims she was offered a partnership that would give her a share of the firm's ownership and/or a share of its income.

But LaCalamita alleges that McCarthys and some of its partners "marginalized and isolated" her. Nor was she made a full-equity partner in the firm. LaCalamita was terminated in 2006. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

### Law school grads

- While the legal profession has been historically dominated by men, more than half of all law school graduates are now women, notes lawyer Malcolm MacKillop.

## News in brief

**SENTENCING** Tristan Palmer, 21, of Mississauga, yesterday received a seven-year sentence for his role in a shooting, but a judge gave him 42 months credit for time already served in jail. Palmer admitted setting up the drug ripoff where a gunman shot and killed Husam Dagheim, 27, in 2007 outside a movie theatre. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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**Mines and energy ministers see restructuring in their future**

Canada's mines and energy ministers say regulatory restructuring is their top priority to help the recovery of the mining sector. The provincial and territorial ministers wrapped up two days of meetings in St. John's, N.L. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Canada

## Shellfish ban? So sorry

**Federal Fisheries Minister Gail Shea admits fishermen should have been given more notice of a ban on certain shellfish in the Maritimes, issued Monday. The ban covers clams, oysters, mussels and quahogs and extends to all of Nova Scotia and P.E.I. and parts of New Brunswick.**

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# Bashed baby: Woman facing murder-bid rap

## Police ask: Why was 14-month-old girl attacked?

**A 19-year-old woman has been charged with attempted murder after a 14-month-old girl had her head smashed repeatedly against a sidewalk.**

Nikita Solange Eaglestick is also charged with abduction and aggravated assault, say Winnipeg police.

Constable Jason Michalyshen said police still don't understand why the girl, identified by family as Vanessa, was attacked.

But the police said there was a party in the area and drinking was involved.

The arrest came after 18-year-old Tyler Bilsborrow stepped outside his family's home to have a smoke in the pre-dawn hours Tuesday.

**"As I was walking closer, I saw a lady there holding her baby around the neck, face down, hitting it into the cement."**
Witness Tyler Bilsborrow, quoted Tuesday

He heard screaming nearby and walked around the corner to see a woman sitting on the pavement, holding the baby by the neck and slamming the child's head down.

When he approached, he said, the woman abandoned the child and ran away.

Bilsborrow said the baby, wearing only a T-shirt and diaper, was covered in blood.

Police were called and a suspect was arrested a few blocks away.

Vanessa's grandmother has said the child was abducted and the mother, Daisy Houle, is devastated.

Police said the baby is now in stable condition.

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Finance Minister Jim Flaherty is heading to London.

## Flaherty: Don't stop now

**CRISIS** Finance Minister Jim Flaherty is not convinced the world has learned the necessary lessons from the economic crisis.

It's the message he'll take to a meeting of his G20 counterparts in London tomorrow as the world's top economic ministers meet to discuss the world's economy.

A top aide says Flaherty will stress that now is not the time to start pulling back from massive governmental stimulus, because the global economy may collapse.

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# Driving? No texts, please

**DANGER** Prince Edward Island plans to reintroduce legislation in the fall to ban talking and texting on hand-held cellphones while driving.

Last year a legislative committee studied the issue.

Transportation Minister Ron MacKinley says further information and statistics have proved using hand-held cellphones while driving is dangerous.

Ontario's ban comes into effect in October.

There are bans in Newfoundland and Labrador, Quebec and Nova Scotia.

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**Canadian Coast Guard gets support from Ottawa**

Ottawa has announced a $194-million contract to build nine new mid-shore patrol vessels for the Canadian Coast Guard. Federal Fisheries Minister Gail Shea says under the contract, the first vessel will be in service in 2011. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# There's no turning back, says Iggy

**Michael Ignatieff says there's no turning back on his decision to try to topple the Harper government this fall, and it's now up to the other parties to decide what they want to do.**

The Liberal leader suggested yesterday that there's nothing Prime Minister Stephen Harper can do to persuade Liberals to continue propping up the minority Conservative government.

"We're not in negotiation here. We did that in June," Ignatieff told a news conference wrapping up a three-day Liberal caucus retreat.

Ignatieff backed away from the brink of an election in June, agreeing to negotiate potential reforms to employment insurance over the summer. But he said those negotiations, which quickly became mired in partisan squabbling, proved the Harper government can't be trusted to deal in good faith with opposition parties.

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Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff kisses the head of a baby boy as he's held by wife Zsuzsanna Zsohar following the Liberal's summer caucus yesterday in Sudbury, Ont.

The bipartisan working group on EI reform was to meet again today but Conservatives said the Liberals have now walked out of the discussions.

Ignatieff also threw the election ball into the court of the NDP, which has consistently voted against Harper, secure in the knowledge that the election-wary Liberals would avoid defeating the government.

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# Economists say election unlikely to stall economy

**SKEPTICISM** Conservative warnings that an election could derail the recovery are being met with hoots of derision from the opposition and mostly skepticism from the experts who should know — economists.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper stepped up his attack on the Liberal opposition yesterday, repeating his contention that an election could "screw up" the recovery. The warnings have become a staple of the Conservative attack against Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff.

But, both Liberal and New Democrat finance critics dismissed the warnings from the Conservatives as political posturing. Economists were mostly unconcerned about any potential crippling impact of an election.

"The Canadian economy is the sum of a heck of a lot of decisions, by investors, by businesses, by consumers across Canada, in the U.S. and abroad, so how well the economy is going to do probably depends a lot more (on other factors) than what's going on in the electoral scene in Canada," said Finn Poschmann, an economist with the C.D. Howe Institute think-tank.

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Finn Poschmann, C.D. Howe Institute

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## News in brief

**BLOC POLITICS** The Bloc Quebecois expressed willingness yesterday to topple the Tory government if it failed to deliver on its priorities. Leader Gilles Duceppe said he won't shy away from triggering a campaign if need be, as long as it betters Quebec.

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# Canadian veteran honoured in Poland

**WARSAW** After serving as a young war resister, being shuttled through concentration camps and eventually fleeing to Canada, a return to her native Poland was an emotionally charged trip for Eva Konopacki.

Eva Konopacki

Although she didn't receive an apology from the Russian government for the atrocities of the Red Army during the Second World War, the 83-year-old Ottawa woman said she was treated like royalty by the Polish government.

Konopacki was among 25 veterans invited to Poland for the 70th anniversary of the Second World War, and was honoured Tuesday at the seaside where the first German attack occurred Sept. 1, 1939.

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# Laliberte live from space

**The founder of the Cirque du soleil may do some clowning around when he visits the International Space Station this month.**

But Guy Laliberte says his trip will carry a serious message — aside from a familiar red face ornament.

"I will probably wear my clown's nose at some moment of that (trip)," Laliberte told a news conference broadcast live from Moscow on the web.

Soon to become Canada's first space tourist, Laliberte celebrated his 50th birthday yesterday. He's in the final stages of preparing to blast off aboard a Russian Soyuz spacecraft on Sept. 30.

The Quebec billionaire, who began his circus career as a fire-breather, conceded he won't be able to ply that old trade during his 12-day mission. But he says he may try some juggling in the gravity-free environment. Still, Laliberte stressed that his main focus will be what he describes as his poetic social mission in space.

He's planning a live webcast and events in 14 cities on five continents on Oct. 9. Each event will have its own theme related to water. Laliberte announced a list of international personalities will take part, including former U.S. vice-president Al Gore, rockers U2, Peter Gabriel and Shakira, and Canadian astronaut Julie Payette.

"All these people are with me because they share the same worries we have about water," he said. "They also share my belief that through art and emotion we can convey a universal message."

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Cirque du soleil founder Guy Laliberte, pictured here in a file photo, will become Canada's first space tourist on Sept. 30.

## News in brief

**ATV** The Ontario Medical Association is urging that children under the age of 14 be banned from operating all-terrain vehicles. The group issued a paper yesterday that says youth aged 14 to 16 should only ride ATVs that cannot exceed 30 km/h. It also calls for those aged 14 to 18 to have a learner's permit.

**POLITICS** New Brunswick Premier Shawn Graham said yesterday he will table an early budget in December because of the economic meltdown, a move critics said is intended to distance the government from poor financial management ahead of next year's provincial election. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Seal snatches girl, 5, off Vancouver dock

**WILDLIFE** A little girl who once loved to feed the animals is reassessing her cute-and-cuddly image of seals after one of them snatched her off a dock and dragged her under the water.

The five-year-old is traumatized and nursing puncture wounds after her encounter with a very "rude" seal, but is otherwise OK after her ordeal on Tuesday night at a West Vancouver marina. Caleigh's father, Mike Cunning, said he and his daughter together decided the seal must have wanted to play.

"She accepts that the seal wanted her to go for a swim, however she thinks that it was rude of the seal to not ask first," Cunning said laughing.

Cunning, his daughter and their neighbours had been cleaning fish on the dock after a day of salmon fishing at the Thunderbird Marina when she was dragged into the water.

Cunning said his back was turned when he heard the splash and thought Caleigh had fallen in, but wasn't worried because she was wearing a life jacket.

**"She accepts that the seal wanted her to go for a swim, however she thinks that it was rude of the seal not to ask first."**
Mike Cunning, father

"Well, she didn't pop up, so I ran over and she eventually surfaced after a couple of seconds, and I said 'Oh Caleigh, what happened,' and she said 'Daddy, Daddy, the seal grabbed me'," he said.

Cunning's neighbour had watched the whole event and told him the seal jumped more than a metre, grabbed the girl's hand with its mouth and dragged her under.

Earlier in the evening the girl had been throwing fish guts in the water.

Cunning said it was a big seal and called it one of the "marina rats" that hangs around to get fed by fishermen cleaning their catch.

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**Calgary to host inter-governmental bank meeting**

Calgary will be the first Canadian city in more than 20 years to host the meeting of a group that finances development projects in Latin America and the Caribbean. The city will hold the meeting of the Inter-American Development bank in 2011. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## No power lines in park: Williams

**GROS MORNE** Premier Danny Williams says that no transmission lines from the Lower Churchill power project will run through Gros Morne National Park in western Newfoundland.

The Newfoundland and Labrador premier told the Energy Council of Canada yesterday that he won't permit lines to be erected through the world heritage site but would need federal help to go around.

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## News in brief

**RADIO** XM Canada says it still wants to meet its royalty payment obligations to a group representing Canadian songwriters, but says the economic downturn has made it difficult to pay them on time. The satellite radio provider noted that retroactive payments required by the CRTC have dealt XM Radio an extra challenge. A second lawsuit was filed on yesterday by the Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada, alleging that XM Canada has missed payment of copyright royalties.

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# Keeping Alberta rat-free

**The sketch of the rodent looks menacing. "You can't ignore the rat," the caption reads. "Kill him."**

The poster dates back to the 1950s when, for 10 straight years, the rat was the public enemy No. 1 in Alberta and citizens united behind the cause of preventing an infestation.

As the province currently struggles to maintain its self-proclaimed status as the only rat-free jurisdiction in North America, researchers at the University of Alberta say one of the main reasons spotting a rat in the province is big news today is because the rodents were so vilified in a campaign six decades ago.

"The rat-free idea became a very important part of the Alberta identity," says visual culture master's student Jingjing Zheng, who along with art design professor Lianne McTavish, has done a visual analysis of the provincial government's decadelong campaign against rats, which started in 1950.

"These visual materials played a very important role constructing community identity," Zheng said.

Material collected from the time has a distinctly propaganda feel.

Posters were mostly about defending the province's boundaries from "an enemy" and shaping "an identity." Citizens were taught to be alert and able to spot "enemy activity," McTavish said. The posters touted the Alberta Rat Proofing and Rat Control Act and were put up at hundreds of government buildings and schools around Alberta.

"We were surprised to see how many posters showed the enemy as a rat," McTavish said.

The province also distributed 1,500 anti-rat pamphlets to citizens each year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Robert Kiyosaki will not attend this workshop.

**Infant death case set over**

The case of a young Halifax couple charged in the death of their infant daughter has been set over until next month. THE CANADIAN PRESS



# Newspapers must show finances: Quebec judge

## Says law gives shareholders that right

**Quebec's Court of Appeal says Power Corp. must disclose the financial results of its newspaper subsidiary Gesca.**

The owners of Quebec dailies including Montreal La Presse and Quebec Le Soleil had sought to prevent Gesca from revealing its results against a lawsuit by shareholders rights group Medac.

But Justice Pierre Dalphond said a Canadian law on public companies gives shareholders the right to consult the financial results of subsidiaries, even if they're not directly consolidated in the parent company's results, as is the case with Gesca.

Dalphond acknowledged that the motivations of former Medac president Yves Michaud were political, but said it wasn't pertinent to the lawsuit.

Michaud sought to show that Power Corp. "financially supported Gesca and its subsidiaries to promote federalism," the judge wrote.

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**Union weighs in**

- In addition to Medac, the union representing employees of La Presse and Cyberpresse also wants to consult Gesca's results to determine whether $13 million in cost reductions sought by the company are justifiable.

# Think-tank sees oil profit drop

**PROSPECTS** Oil industry profits this year are expected to be 24 per cent lower than in 2008, but its prospects are expected to brighten next year as the global economy recovers, the Conference Board of Canada predicted yesterday.

"The Canadian oil industry has long been a boom or bust industry, and that has been the case over the past year," said Todd Crawford, an economist with the Ottawa-based economic think-tank.

The price of crude oil touched record highs above $147 US a barrel last July, only to shrink by more than three quarters within six months to below $35. Prices have since doubled to around $70 a barrel, but remain less than half their record highs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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The estimated drop of the Canadian oil industry's pre-tax profits, down from $15.3 billion in 2008.

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**Weapons stockpile found buried in Greece**

Greek authorities say they have discovered eight anti-tank rockets buried in northern Greece. The cache was found in a forested area outside Thessaloniki. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# World

## Indian politician missing

**A helicopter carrying a powerful politician from southern India disappeared in heavy rains yesterday as it flew over a forested region infested with Maoist rebels. Air force helicopters rushed to the area to search for the aircraft carrying Y.S.R. Reddy, left, the 60-year-old chief minister of Andhra Pradesh state.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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People stand outside a house destroyed by an earthquake in West Java, Indonesia, yesterday. At least 33 people were killed.

## Dozens killed in Indonesian quake

**WEST JAVA** A powerful earthquake rattled southern Indonesia yesterday, killing at least 33 people crushed by falling rock or collapsed buildings and sending thousands fleeing outdoors for safety in the middle of the work day.

Hospitals quickly filled with more than 300 people injured when the magnitude 7.0 quake struck off the southern coast of the main island of Java, where most of Indonesia's 235 million people live.

**7.0** Magnitude of the underwater earthquake, at a depth of about 50 kilometres

With dozens reported missing, the death toll was expected to rise. Disaster officials said hundreds of homes and buildings had collapsed or were severely damaged in three districts in densely populated West Java.

The worst report of fatalities was from a village in Cianjur district, where 10 bodies were recovered from a landslide. About 30 people were still believed trapped under rocks and dirt, the official Antara news agency reported.

"Most of them are housewives and children who were playing PlayStation in a buried house," Entang Kurniawan, another resident, told broadcaster TVOne.

A tsunami warning was issued after the quake struck, but was revoked an hour later.

Muharaham Ardan, a university lecturer in the town of Tasikmalaya, about 115 kilometres from the epicentre, said it was the biggest quake he had ever felt.

"We all ran out in panic, we didn't even put our sandals on," he said.

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## U.S. dings drug giant $2.3B

**Pfizer Inc., the world's largest drug maker, will pay a record $2.3 billion (all figures US) civil and criminal penalty over unlawful prescription drug promotions.**

Announcing the settlement yesterday, the U.S. Justice Department said that it included the largest criminal fine in American history — $1.2 billion. The agreement also included a criminal forfeiture of $105 million.

Authorities called Pfizer a repeat offender, noting it is the fourth such settlement of government charges in the last decade. They said the government will monitor the company's conduct for the next five years to rein in the abuses.

To promote the drugs, authorities said Pfizer invited doctors to consultant meetings at resort locations, paying their expenses and providing perks.

"They were entertained with golf, massages, and other activities," said Mike Loucks, the U.S. attorney in Massachusetts.

Six corporate whistleblowers who first brought the misconduct to light will share $102 million of the settlement money.

Associate U.S. Attorney General Thomas Perelli said the settlement illustrates ways the department "can help the American public at a time when budgets are tight and health care costs are rising."

The government said the company promoted four prescription drugs, including the pain killer Bextra, as treatments for medical conditions different than those the drugs had been approved for by federal regulators.

Use of drugs for so-called "off-label" medical conditions is not uncommon, but drug manufacturers are prohibited from marketing drugs for uses that have not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

Bextra, one of a class of painkillers known as Cox-2 inhibitors, was pulled from the U.S. market in 2005 amid mounting evidence it raised the risk of heart attack, stroke and death.

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Associate U.S. Attorney General Tom Perrelli, middle, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and Assistant Attorney General Tony West, announce Pfizer's record penalty.

## Suicide bomber kills Afghan intelligence official

**AFGHANISTAN** A Taliban suicide bomber attacked officials leaving a mosque east of Kabul yesterday, killing the country's deputy intelligence chief and 23 other people in a major blow to Afghanistan's security forces.

A Taliban spokesman claimed responsibility for the bombing, which happened as Afghan dignitaries were leaving the main mosque in Mehterlam, after Ramadan ceremonies.

The bomber approached the crowd on foot and detonated an explosive belt, killing 23 people, including Abdullah Laghmani, deputy chief of Afghanistan's National Directorate for Security and the target of the attack, according to provincial spokesman Sayed Ahmad Safi.

The chairman of the local provincial council and the executive director of the local governor's office also died in the blast, Safi said.

Laghmani, a close ally of President Hamid Karzai, was a major figure in Afghanistan's security and intelligence apparatus and his death was a setback to Afghan efforts to curb Taliban and other extremist activity.

"It is indefensible that such an attack was carried out at a mosque during the holy month of Ramadan," said Peter W. Galbraith, the deputy UN chief in Kabul.

"The contrast between the vast majority of Afghans who yearn for peace during this holy month and those who conducted this attack could not be more stark."

The assassination of such a senior figure was a shock to the Karzai administration, already under fire for alleged fraud during the Aug. 20 presidential election. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Karzai moves closer to victory

- Afghanistan's election commission says President Hamid Karzai is moving closer to the 50 per cent threshold that would allow him to avoid a run-off in the country's presidential election. In results released yesterday, Karzai has 47.3 per cent of votes counted while top challenger Abdullah Abdullah has 32.6 per cent. Karzai needs 50 per cent to avoid a two-man runoff. The commission is slowly releasing results from the Aug. 20 presidential vote, which was marred by hundreds of allegations of fraud.

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**Bulgaria cracks down on corruption**

Bulgaria's parliament has approved a sweeping review of budget payments, contracts and senior appointments made by the previous socialist government. It is part of a pledge to crack down on corruption. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Breakfast with Arnie

## Schwarzenegger meets team fighting giant fire

**Firefighters were making progress yesterday against a giant wildfire that has ravaged a national forest north of Los Angeles.**

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger served breakfast to firefighters yesterday, scooping Cream of Wheat into paper bowls and giving them plenty of protein so "they get all pumped up for the next fight out there with those fires."

Officials are still trying to figure out what set off the blaze that has burned nearly 219 square miles.

They know it was caused by human hand. But was it accidental or arson?

Since erupting Aug. 26, the blaze has destroyed more than five dozen homes, killed two firefighters and forced thousands to flee.

Officials are worried about a threat to a historic observatory and TV and radio antennas on Mount Wilson. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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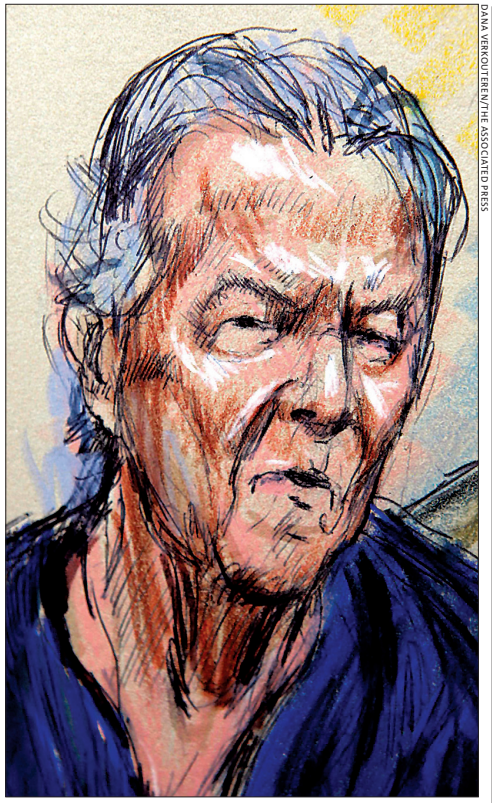

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James von Brunn is seen in court in this artist's drawing.

# Supremacist asks for a speedy trial

**CRIME** A white supremacist charged with killing a black security guard at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum appeared in court in a wheelchair yesterday.

James von Brunn, 89, had been hospitalized since the June 10 shooting after reportedly being shot in the face by another guard.

His lawyer said in the Washington court the injuries make it difficult for him to hear and talk and he cannot walk.

A judge ordered him back to jail while to he awaits trial.

"Your constitution guarantees me a speedy and fair trial," von Brunn said in a halting voice.

"I'm a United States citizen, and as a U.S. naval officer I swore to protect my country.

"I take my vows very seriously," added von Brunn, a Second World War veteran. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Motorbike gunmen attack minister

**PAKISTAN** Suspected militants opened fire on a car carrying Pakistan's religious affairs minister yesterday in a brazen attack in the heart of the capital.

The minister, Hamid Saeed Kazmi, was wounded and his driver killed.

**"We are not afraid."** Ejaz Jhakrani

The shooting took place as police in Islamabad were on high alert amid fears of revenge attacks by Taliban militants following the Aug. 5 killing of their leader, Baitullah Mehsud, in a CIA missile strike.

"We are not scared, we are not afraid of these cowardly acts," said Health Minister Ejaz Jhakrani.

Authorities said two gunmen on a motorbike were involved in the shooting.

Mohammad Salahuddin, a ministry employee, said he rushed to the car after the attack and pulled the minister from it.

"I saw a man running across the road and jumping on a motorcycle before speeding away," said Salahuddin. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## News in brief

**TERRORISM** A member of a Nigerian Islamist sect that attacked security forces in July, unleashing a bloodbath in which 700 people died, says he received bomb-making training in Afghanistan. Police say Abdul Rasheed was arrested Tuesday with bomb-making materials. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## Miss Universe **Top of the world**

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Newly crowned Miss Universe 2009, Stefania Fernandez, of Venezuela, poses for pictures at Top of the Rock in Rockefeller Center, in New York, yesterday.

# Bomber's health fading?

**The only man convicted in the 1988 Lockerbie bombing was taken to intensive care yesterday after his illness from terminal prostate cancer worsened, family members said.**

According to Libyan officials, Abdel Baset al-Megrahi's health has swiftly deteriorated since he was released from a Scottish prison less than two weeks ago and returned home to Libya to die.

The family members said they have not been allowed to visit him and there was no way to independently verify al-Megrahi's condition. Scottish officials released al-Megrahi from prison on Aug. 20 on compassionate grounds, sparking an international uproar.

At the time, Scottish officials said doctors had determined he had less than three months to live.

On Tuesday, the head of the Libyan State Information Agency, Majid al-Dursi, said al-Megrahi is in the hospital and described him as "very sick."

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### Scottish MPs reject endorsement

- The Scottish Parliament rejected a government bid to gain an endorsement of its decision to free the Lockerbie bomber, Abdel Baset al-Megrahi. The vote is largely symbolic. The Libyan was convicted in the 1988 attack on a Pan Am airliner that killed 270 people.

## Members of Iraq's security forces sentenced to death

**HEIST** A Baghdad court yesterday sentenced four members of Iraq's security forces to death for their roles in a bank heist in the Iraqi capital that left eight bank guards dead.

A three-judge panel gave the men a month to appeal the swift sentence in a case that has the potential for political fallout after at least one of the suspects was linked to a senior official in a major Shiite party.

Gunmen broke into the state-run Rafidain Bank at about 4 a.m. on July 28, killing three on-duty guards and five others on the premises who were either on a break or asleep, according to police investigators.

The bank's chief testified during the trial that 5.6 billion Iraqi dinars — or about $4.8 million US — was stolen.

Most of the money was later recovered in the office of a newspaper owned by Iraqi Vice-President Adel Abdul-Mahdi, a senior member of Iraq's largest Shiite party, investigators said.

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### Denial

- Adel Abdul-Mahdi has denied any involvement but said one of those charged in the robbery worked as part of his security detail. He has said any suggestion of wrongdoing on his part was a politically motivated attempt to sabotage his re-election efforts in next January's national elections.

## **News** in brief

**ATHENS** Greece's Conservative prime minister is calling an early general election, seeking a renewed popular mandate to impose tougher economic reforms and deal with the international financial crisis. Prime Minister Costas Karamanlis did not announce a date for the election — expected in early October — and acted yesterday in spite of opposition to the move expressed publicly by several senior members of his cabinet. The Conservatives are trailing the opposition Socialists in polls.

**BOGOTA** Colombia's lower House approved a bill calling for a referendum on whether to change the constitution to allow President Alvaro Uribe to run for a third consecutive term. After a marathon debate that lasted until early yesterday, lawmakers voted 85-5 in favour of the proposal, with 76 abstentions.
The bill, which has already passed the Senate, now goes to Colombia's Constitution Court, which has 90 days to rule on it.

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**Chemical blast kills 18 in China**

A state news agency reports a chemical explosion in eastern China has killed 18 people and injured 10 others. The official Xinhua News Agency says a truck carrying chemicals exploded yesterday near Linyi city in Shandong province. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Climate change at 'tipping point'

**A new report says Arctic climate change is happening faster than anyone anticipated and may soon be forcing more rapid warming on the rest of the planet.**

"It is a tipping point," said Craig Stewart of the World Wildlife Fund, which was to release the report yesterday in London.

The report is an attempt to update the work of scientists involved in the 2007 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change as world leaders prepare to gather in Copenhagen next December to discuss how to deal with the issue. The conclusion of many of those same top researchers is that changes are occurring much more quickly — especially in the Arctic — than was believed even two years ago.

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"We thought by 2050, multi-year (sea) ice would be cut in half," said Stewart from Ottawa. "Well, it happened in 2007."

But the biggest worry is the so-called methane hydrates — a strange, slushy form of methane frozen in ice molecules that exists in vast volumes in permafrost and continental shelves around the circumpolar globe. Cold and high pressure have so far kept that methane — a greenhouse gas 25 times more potent than carbon dioxide — out of the atmosphere.

Underground methane, however, has recently been observed bubbling up in Arctic Russia.

"There is so much methane under the permafrost and under ocean floor sediments that the carbon in that methane is the equivalent of all the coal, oil and gas combined worldwide," said Stewart.

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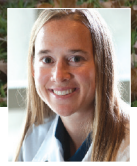

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U.S. President Barack Obama waves as he walks across the South Lawn of the White House prior to his departure on Marine One helicopter in Washington yesterday.

## Obama and new Japanese leader talk relation building

Japan's incoming leader Yukio Hatoyama and U.S. President Barack Obama have held telephone talks, a news report said, amid concerns Tokyo may pursue a more independent foreign policy under its new government.

The phone conversation took place early today in Japan, Kyodo News agency reported.

The two leaders discussed their nations' bilateral security relationship and Hatoyama said he wanted to build "constructive future-oriented" relations with the United States, Kyodo said.

Hatoyama, a Stanford University Ph.D and grandson of a prime minister, has called for Japan and the U.S. to pursue a more equal relationship and said Japan should strengthen ties with its Asian neighbours.

That has raised concerns a rift could develop between the allies. Hatoyama, however, has also said Japan's security relationship with the U.S. will continue to form the "cornerstone" of its diplomacy.

Hatoyama's Democratic Party of Japan trounced the incumbent Liberal Democratic Party in parliamentary elections Sunday and he is expected to form a new government in two weeks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Former ties

- Under the long-ruling LDP, Japan has pursued close economic and security relations with the U.S., which stations 50,000 troops in Japan under a mutual security treaty.

## Hurricane Jimena hits U.S.

**WEATHER** Hurricane Jimena plowed over Baja California yesterday, tearing off roofs, knocking down power poles and bringing welcome rainfall to a drought-stricken state.

The storm made landfall yesterday afternoon between Puerto San Andresito and San Jaunico, sparsely populated area of fishing villages on the Pacific coast of the peninsula.

Wind gusts and heavy rains blew down dozens of trees and lamp posts in Loreto, the nearest significant resort town to the area where Jimena main landfall, according to a city official manning an emergency response centre. About 500 people were in shelters in Loreto, which lies roughly on the other side of the narrow peninsula from where Jimena made landfall.

The picturesque beach resorts of Los Cabos, on the southernmost tip, were mostly spared overnight, when the roaring hurricane toppled signs, choked streets with mud and knocked out power, but did little serious damage. No injuries were reported.

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## News in brief

**DISRUPTION** Google Inc.'s Gmail service was knocked offline Tuesday in an outage that the company said affected a "majority" of its millions of email users, including consumers who get Gmail for free and businesses that pay for a version for their employees. The disruption lasted under two hours.

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## Comment

# For the love of money

## Study finds opposites attract when it comes to spending

**Relating**

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*Money is not the most important thing in the world. Love is. Fortunately, I love money.*

***– Jackie Mason***

In matters of money, is your ideal mate frugal or frivolous? The answer may be itemized in your own credit card statement.

Researchers at the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business who surveyed 1,000 married and unmarried adults identified a tendency for skinflints and squanderers to seek each other out.

The more unhappiness respondents reported with their particular monetary kink, whether it was overspending or oversaving, the more they were attracted to the other extreme. In this case, it seems opposites really do attract and, as even a non-scientist might predict, that's trouble.

Take the typical couple's set-tos over money matters then add the irritant of one partner obsessively building a nest egg the other seems intent on poaching. Stir vigorously and duck.

At this anxious economic pass, obviously it's the profligate spender who's going to take the most flack, but what about the stimulus-choking hoarder? Neither extreme approach to money is necessarily a virtue.

Perhaps the cheapskates need to learn to loosen up a little as much as the shopaholics need a bit of self-restraint.

There's a simple division of labour argument to be made: If you either can't balance a cheque book or can't pry it loose for a much-needed vacation, it only makes sense to find someone who can. But can you ultimately live with that someone?

But as some women find themselves drawn, mortifying clichés notwithstanding, to the bad boy, perhaps Mr. Bad Credit Rating has a similar allure. I've never been seriously tempted to hook up with a big spender, and just between you and me, I've never been financially well-endowed enough to really tempt one, either.

There isn't much fiscal turmoil at chez Steve. I'm half Scottish and my thrifty beloved is not only Scotch but also Dutch. Loath as I am to perpetuate ethnic stereotypes, she's definitely the more penny-pinching half of this small-spending couple. When we go out, she audits me for over-tipping, though she's a softer touch when hit up for spare change.

A married couple we know are our opposite, but also allegedly financially compatible. Neither is what you'd call tight with a dollar. Both are impulse buyers, neither ever has much money left over, and they give each other hell about it. (This is far from the only thing they spar over.)

We muddle through based on roughly similar values, lots of laughs and uncommonly good chemistry. Separate bank accounts, in my experience, are also helpful.

Steve Collins offers his best guesses on relationships for Metro every two weeks.

## Views

# Runner's gender testing tests prejudices

**FourthWave**

**Canice Leung**

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When the world poked and prodded at prodigious South African runner Caster Semenya, musing whether she was a he, I assumed feminists would universally come to her aid — not so.

Take Germaine Greer, who advocated sexual liberation in her book The Female Eunuch, yet once opposed the appointment of a transwoman colleague to a fellowship at a women's college because she used to be male, and named a chapter in one of her books "Pantomime Dames."

She wrote this about the gender-ambiguous in the Guardian two weeks ago: "Nowadays we are all likely to meet people who think they are women, have women's names, and feminine clothes and lots of eyeshadow, who seem to us to be some kind of ghastly parody, though it isn't polite to say so."

Funny ... as a biological female I often feel like a ghastly parody — my curves not globular enough; too much makeup or not enough. Men, women and in-between all fear they don't resemble their idealized images.

Woe be to the individuals whom genetic roulette places on the middle of a continuous spectrum somewhere between male and female. We've learned to tolerate most every kind of change in stride (politics, religion, lifestyles), but not gender-bending.

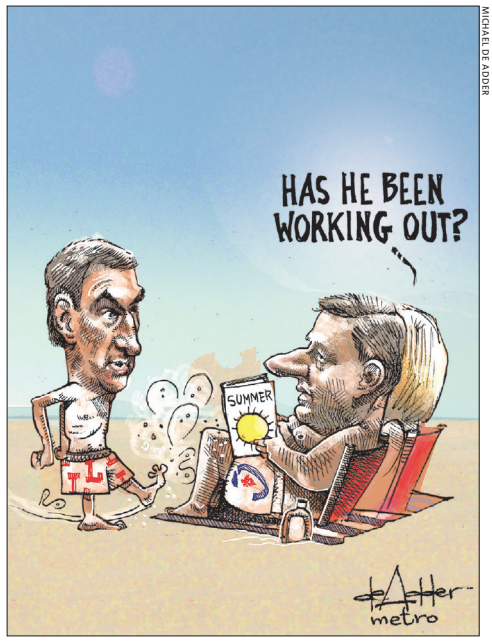
The historical outcome of gender testing, before it was discontinued in 1999, was mostly a bunch of identity crises when female athletes learned they had chromosomal disorders. Most recently, India's Santhi Soundarajan was stripped of her Asian Games silver medal in 2006 after she was found to have androgen insensitivity syndrome, in which a genetic male appears female because the body is resistant to male hormones.

Poor girls. Never mind the garbage that passed as evidence of maleness in the media (Semenya dislikes dresses, dolls and romantic movies, her friends and relatives say) — merely being athletically competitive is a transgressive act that thrusts women into a man's world. If anyone should have understood, it was Semenya's colleagues, but they, too, turned against her.

"These kinds of people should not run with us. For me, she's not a woman. She's a man," accused Italian Elisa Piccione, who finished sixth to Semenya.

Luckily for Semenya, her urine test results showed high but acceptable testosterone levels. Soundarajan, shamed into giving up a promising career, told Time magazine the experience left her "physically and mentally broken." She had advice for Semenya, too: "A gender test cannot take away from you who you are."

Canice Leung is a former editor of Ryerson University feminist magazine McClung's, copy editor at Metro, ardent feminist and loudmouth.

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## Letters

### Go Transit showed poor judgment for 'Pan Am' train

*Re: Delegates commandeer GO train (Sept. 1)*

I was somewhat dismayed to learn why the Port Credit GO train was cancelled Monday.

To carry fewer than 20 passengers including six Pan Am delegates on a train with 1,600 seats is a bit much.

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## Worth Mentioning

A ruling from a Canadian Human Rights Tribunal member says a controversial law banning Internet hate messages is unconstitutional because it violates free speech protections.

Athanasios Hadjis ruled yesterday that section 13 of the Canadian Human Rights Act violates Charter protections.

While this decision doesn't throw out the law — that's something for the courts — it did let accused hatemonger Marc Lemire off the hook, because Hadjis refused to penalize him or order him to stop posting his messages.

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**NEWSPRINT** Insolvent forestry giant AbitibiBowater says it has completed the sale of about 121,000 hectares of private timberlands in Quebec for $53 million in cash. The Montreal-based newsprint producer, which is restructuring under bankruptcy protection from creditors, said it plans to use money from the sale for general corporate purposes.

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## Rogers buys trade magazine AMPQ

**MEDIA** Rogers Publishing has acquired French-language marketing and communications trade publication AMPQ Magazine and its related assets, for an undisclosed price.

The division of Rogers Media said the deal includes AMPQ's print magazine, a daily newsletter, related Internet website and its annual directory.

The AMPQ acquisition is intended to complement Rogers' Marketing magazine, which primarily serves English-speaking Canada, the company said.

AMPQ has a circulation of about 58,500 readers.

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## Jack Daniel's **Heady profit**

MARK HUMPHREY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO

Jeff Arnett, master distiller at the Jack Daniel Distillery in Lynchburg, Tenn., tests the aroma of whiskey from an aging barrel in May this year. Liquor company Brown-Forman Corp. reported a 38 per cent surge in first-quarter profit yesterday as lower operating expenses related to job cuts and a seasonal drop in advertising offset sluggish sales for key brands Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey, Southern Comfort and Finlandia vodka.

# Gold stops TSX two-day slide

**The Toronto stock market closed positive after two days of triple-digit slides thanks in large part to surging gold stocks.**

But sentiment was generally weak in the wake of disappointing jobs and factory orders data from the U.S. The S&P/TSX index added 11.54 points to 10,701.32 as the gold sector jumped 10 per cent.

The December bullion contract on the New York Mercantile Exchange was up $22 to $978.50 US as a weak U.S. dollar and economic data fuelled demand.

The gains were tempered by the ADP Employment Change Report which forecast job losses hit 298,000 in the U.S. last month. Canadian job losses for August are expected to come in at about 22,000.

"I never bought into the euphoria that we've had," said Adrian Mastracci, portfolio manager at KCM Wealth Management in Vancouver. "Businesses certainly know what to do in cost-cutting mode, which really begs the question, when are we going to hire? I think we could have a jobless recovery."

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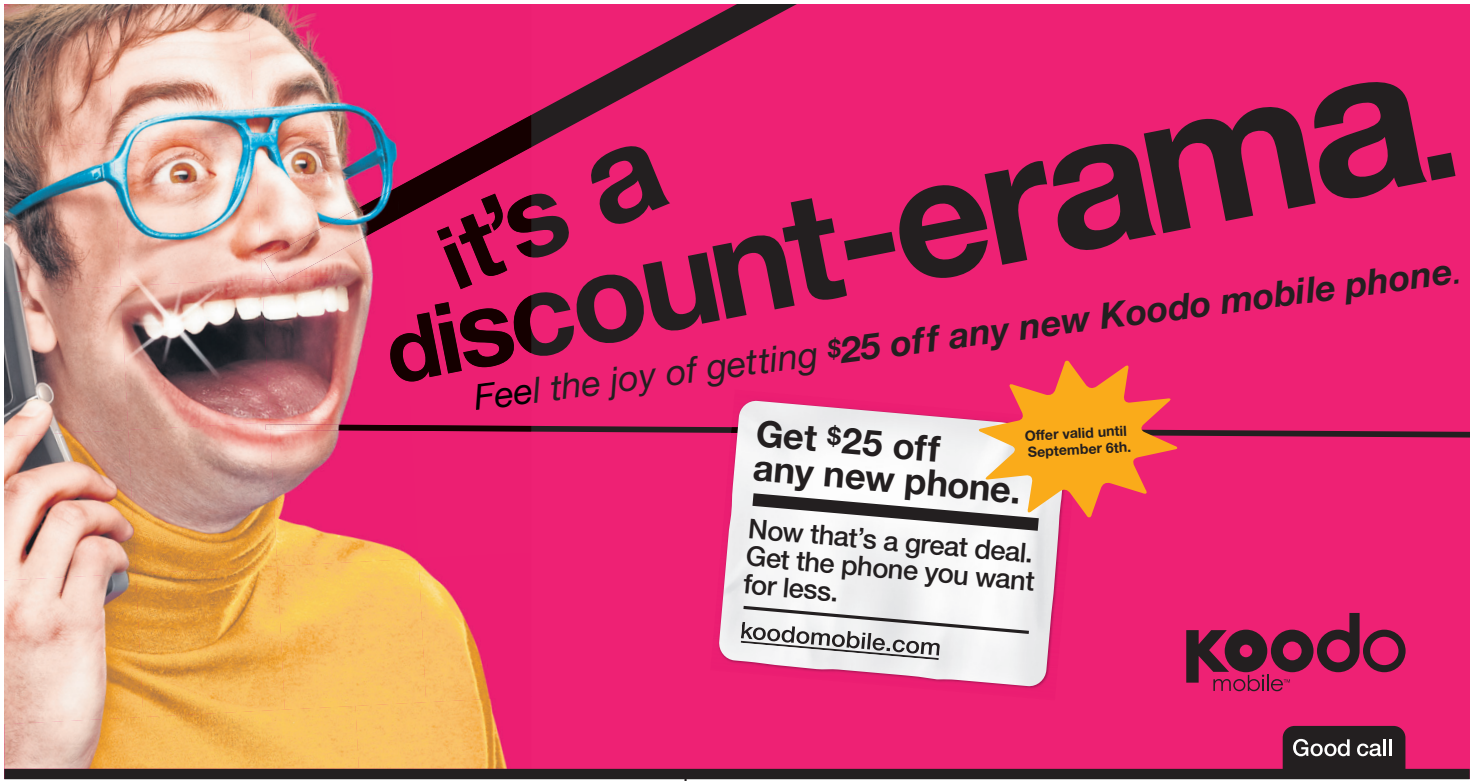
**300** The Toronto market lost almost 300 points over the last two sessions on worries about the financial industry and prospects for a strong recovery that will justify the sharp runup in stocks this year.

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**Microsoft cuts Japan price for Xbox 360 Elite**

Microsoft Corp. says it is cutting the price in Japan of its high-end Xbox 360 game console by 25 per cent to 29,800 yen (about $355). The U.S. software giant said yesterday the price of the Xbox 360 Elite will be effective Sept. 10. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Magna's rival bidder sweetens Opel offer

**AUTOS** RHJ International SA said yesterday it has improved its offer for General Motors Co.'s Opel unit, saying it would put more cash into the automaker and seek lower government loan guarantees.

A spokesman said RHJ would provide €300 million ($472 million) in cash compared to €275 million offered earlier and expects loan guarantees of €3.2 billion from Berlin, down from €3.8 billion.

**Popular models**

- Opel builds popular models like the Insignia sedan — voted 2009 European Car of the Year by automotive experts.

The German government has said it favours a bid from Canadian car parts maker Magna International and Russian state-owned bank Sberbank, which have promised not to close any of the four Opel plants in Germany.

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# MDS to focus on isotopes

**Canadian life sciences company MDS Inc. plans to sell off its major divisions, pay back long-suffering shareholders and focus on its Nordion medical isotope unit.**

Investors welcomed the news, pushing MDS's sagging stock price nearly a third higher on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

**"One of the realities of doing business in the global economy is the need to be agile and nimble ..."**
Stephen DeFalco, chief executive

The company has been under pressure from shareholders over its low stock price and has been undergoing a strategic review for months, initiated by Jim MacDonald, a key shareholder who was named chairman last November.

MDS chief executive Stephen DeFalco said the shutdown of the government-owned nuclear reactor in Chalk River, Ont., has caused significant challenges to Nordion which depends on the National Research Universal reactor.

"One of the realities of doing business in the global economy is the need to be agile and nimble to respond to changing realities," DeFalco said.

If events unfold as hoped, MDS will downsize its corporate head office in Concord, Ont., by about 110 positions while about 50 will be offered positions in the remaining business unit.

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## South Korea **Credit rating up**

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A bank employee displays U.S. dollar banknotes at the Korea Exchange Bank in Seoul yesterday. Fitch Ratings raised the sovereign credit rating outlook for South Korea, saying foreign exchange pressure on the country caused by the global financial crisis has eased.

# U.S. firms slash costs, cap pay to improve productivity

**ECONOMY** U.S. companies managed to boost their workers' productivity and their own profits in the spring mainly by slashing costs and capping their employees' pay.

U.S. government figures released yesterday provided evidence a tentative economic recovery has begun. But analysts said the tight job market and the lack of wage growth likely will depress incomes, limit corporate profitability and forestall a pickup in the key consumer spending.

Bill Schultz, chief investment officer at McQueen, Ball & Associates said companies that have shed workers and squeezed out savings won't be able to show the big profit gains they did last quarter by relying on more big cuts.

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## **Business** in brief

**LAYOFFS** Bombardier may have to accelerate planned layoffs this fall in Montreal if it doesn't win new orders for regional jets. Bombardier Aerospace president Guy Hachey said commercial aircraft production rates will hinge on the company's ability to sign orders from four or five promising efforts by the end of October.

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**Canada still No. 66 in world soccer**
Confederations Cup champion Brazil remains atop the FIFA rankings for a third straight month. European champion Spain stayed second, followed by The Netherlands in world rankings announced yesterday. Canada remained unchanged at No. 66, sandwiched between Saudi Arabia and Wales. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Sports

## Luongo signs long term

The Vancouver Canucks have agreed to a 12-year, $64-million US contract extension with star goaltender Roberto Luongo, left. The deal will keep the 30-year-old Canucks captain in Vancouver until the 2021-22 season. Luongo was 33-13-7 last season with a franchise-record nine shutouts. In 544 career games, the Montreal native is 230-232-64 with a 2.57 goals-against average. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Williams wins, Safin bows out

**TENNIS** Venus Williams moved on, Rafael Nadal came back and Marat Safin said goodbye at the U.S. Open yesterday.

Her left knee heavily wrapped, the third-seeded Williams defeated Bethanie Mattek-Sands 6-4, 6-2 in a less taxing match than she had two nights earlier when she fell behind a set before rallying.

Nadal, whose knees kept him out of Wimbledon, returned to Grand Slam play with a 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 win over Richard Gasquet, while Safin, a former world No. 1, closed out his Grand Slam career, losing to Jurgen Melzer 1-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4.

Safin's career ends with two Grand Slam titles, a smaller number than many experts thought possible when he broke through in the 2000 U.S. Open final.

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# Wozniak bests former No. 1

## Top-ranked Canadian defeats Mauresmo in U.S. Open second round

**Canadian Aleksandra Wozniak upset former world No. 1 Amelie Mauresmo 6-4, 6-0 in the second round of the U.S. Open yesterday.**

The 21-year-old from Blainville, Que., handed the 17th seed from France, a semifinalist in 2002 and 2006, her earliest career loss at Flushing Meadows.

Wozniak is ranked 39th in the world, compared to No. 17 for Mauresmo, who has won career 25 tournaments.

The Canadian will play in the third round against 10th seed Flavia Pennetta of Italy, who crushed India's Sania Mirza 6-0, 6-0.

"It was exciting to play on the show court," Wozniak said of the 23,000-capacity Arthur Ashe venue. "I did well not to get distracted by the crowd or anything. I think I did a pretty good job with everything today."

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Aleksandra Wozniak of Blainville, Que., returns a shot against Amelie Mauresmo of France yesterday at the U.S. Open. Wozniak beat Mauresmo, who has won 25 tournaments in her career, 6-4, 6-0.

In doubles play, Marie-Eve Pelletier of Repentigny, Que., and French partner Julie Coin won their first-round match 6-2, 6-4 over American Laura Granville and Vladimira Uhlirova of the Czech Republic.

Wozniak beat Granville in singles play Monday.

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**Hawks sign Collins**
The Atlanta Hawks have added more depth and size to their front court by signing centre Jason Collins. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Money key to soccer success, study shows

**Twelve of the 20 soccer clubs that spent the most money on players in Europe's five biggest leagues went on to win the title over the last four years, and 90 per cent of the top-spending clubs in those leagues have gone on to finish in the top three, according to research published yesterday.**

The Castrol Performance Analysis predicts that Real Madrid may be right in thinking it can loosen Barcelona's grip on the Spanish league title after spending 229 million pounds ($411.7 million) during the transfer window, far more than any other soccer team.

Manchester City also has grounds for optimism in its bid to win the league title for the first time in 42 years. The Sky Blues have invested 124 million pounds ($222.9 million) in new players, making the club the Premier League's biggest spenders this summer.

"This level of expenditure should be enough to break open the closed shop at the head of the table where Manchester United, Liverpool, Chelsea and Arsenal have filled the top four places for the last four years," the analysis said.

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## The cost of staying up

- Newly promoted clubs that managed to survive their first season in the Premier League spent an average of 24 million pounds ($43.2 million) on players. That's nine million pounds ($16.2 million) more than the average, and 15 million pounds ($27 million) more than clubs that were immediately relegated.

## Friendly Benfica blasts Celtic

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Celtic FC's Daniel Fox, right, heads the ball during first-half friendly soccer action against Benfica last night at BMO Field. Benfica went on to win 3-1.

## Sports in brief

**BOLT** Usain Bolt may well go for four gold medals at the 2012 Olympics in London — but it won't be his decision. "I always leave the decisions up to my coach," Bolt said when asked about the possibility of chasing four golds. Speaking ahead of tomorrow's Van Damme Memorial athletics meet, Bolt said if it were up to him, he would favour adding the long jump to the 100, 100-relay and 200-metre sprint.

**SUSPENSIONS** NASCAR has suspended three crew members from two teams for violating its toughened substance abuse policy. The three were suspended for violations at Bristol Motor Speedway two weeks ago. NASCAR has now suspended 10 crew members this season under its toughened drug policy. Jeremy Mayfield is the only driver to be suspended since NASCAR began random testing this year.

**SOCCER** England defender Ashley Cole has followed Chelsea captain John Terry in signing a new contract with the early season Premier League leader. The fullback has agreed to a four-year contract with the west London club. Terry signed a five-year contract Monday.

**DRUG LIST** A federal appeals judge has ordered the preservation of all evidence that allegedly shows 104 Major League Baseball players tested positive for steroids in 2003. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals last month ruled that federal agents wrongly seized the material from drug testing labs when they were authorized only to take evidence related to 10 players listed in their search warrant. If the ruling stands, the baseball players' association will be free to order the destruction of all the test results and related material, except for the 10 players listed in the warrant.

**SOCCER** Defender Sergio Jauregui has been banned for a year by a Bolivian soccer league tribunal for kicking Oriente Petrolero player Leonardo Medina in the face in a match Aug. 23. The ban went into effect yesterday and cannot be appealed.

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**Coyotes sign Pyatt**
The Phoenix Coyotes have signed left-winger Taylor Pyatt to a one-year contract. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# NHLPA position was 'complicated': Kelly

**Paul Kelly, fired as the executive director of the NHL Players' Association Monday, said the structure of the organization has become unwieldy and needs to be tweaked. He also said his former job comes with built-in stresses because so many people want to head up the union.**

**"I don't know if I fully appreciated when I took the job, some of the challenges that would be faced."**
Paul Kelly, former NHLPA executive

"It's a complicated position. It's a position others have and will continue to covet and if that creates some tensions, it's something that I think is largely unavoidable," Kelly told AM 640 yesterday.

Kelly refused to acknowledge there was a divide within the union, but it has been reported there was a growing rift between Kelly and high-ranking NHLPA members such as Ian Penny, the union's general counsel who will take over the top job on an interim basis. Eric Lindros resigned as the association's ombudsman in February because he didn't see eye-to-eye with Kelly.

Let go after less than two years, Kelly did not say if he felt someone who might be gunning for his old job undermined him; an anonymous letter outlining his deficiencies was circulated to NHLPA executives and some media members before a board meeting that determined his fate. Kelly was also subject to a review by interim NHLPA ombudsman Buzz Hargrove and a separate association subcommittee.

Kelly believes the NHLPA, which fired its last director for spying on players' email accounts, in an effort to correct internal turmoil has swung "the pendulum a little bit too far to try to put checks and balances in and to correct certain things."

"I don't know if I fully appreciated when I took the job, some of the challenges that would be faced just by that structure," he told the Toronto radio station.

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## Basketball **Brazil drops Canada**

ANDRES LEIGHTON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canada's Carl English passes to a teammate while guarded by Brazil's Alex Garcia and Tiago Splitter yesterday in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Brazil won 68-59, handing the Canadians their second straight loss. Canada plays Panama today.

## No deal for Bombers and Pacman

**CFL** The Winnipeg Blue Bombers won't be signing Adam (Pacman) Jones after all.

The team announced yesterday it has ended its pursuit of the controversial ex-NFL cornerback, one day after a source told The Canadian Press that Jones had agreed to join the Bombers.

Pacman Jones

"It is unfortunate that this situation became public; however, our position has remained consistent," Blue Bombers head coach Mike Kelly said in a statement. "We will pursue athletes that we believe will contribute to our organization on and off the field.

"We have completed our assessment and due diligence and at this time we will not be pursuing the services of Adam Jones."

Jones is a former first-round draft pick of the Tennessee Titans who has twice been suspended by the NFL for off-field incidents — including for the entire 2007 season — and was released in February by the Dallas Cowboys.

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## **Sports** in brief

**BOONE'S RETURN** Aaron Boone returned to the field for a major league baseball game yesterday, a little more than five months after undergoing open heart surgery. Boone was in the starting lineup at first base for the Houston Astros in a game against the Chicago Cubs at Wrigley Field. The 36-year-old began his major league career with Cincinnati in 1997. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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**Bills drop linebacker**

Linebacker Pat Thomas was released by the Buffalo Bills yesterday after missing most of training camp with a nagging lower leg injury that prevented him from competing for a backup job. Buffalo hosts Detroit tonight to end the pre-season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Bruce heightens Argos-Ticats rivalry

**Jason Shivers has seen a lot of Arland Bruce.**

For three training camps and one entire season of practices, the Toronto Argonauts defensive back lined up against the all-star receiver, waging personal battles as teammates, trying to make each other better.

Come Monday, they will be doing battle for real.

"It's going to be a little bit strange," Shivers said of facing Bruce, who was traded earlier this season to the Hamilton Tiger-Cats after a falling out with Argonauts rookie head coach Bart Andrus.

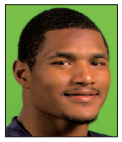
"He's one of my best practice comrades. I know him. He knows me. It's going to be a good battle."

Shivers, who is in his third year with the Argos, but missed the 2007 season with a knee injury, said he will likely save his greetings to Bruce for the field during the game.

"I should see him a lot during the game and I'm sure I'm going to make a tackle on him," Shivers said. "I'm sure he's going to say 'good job' and I'm going to say the same.

"But other than that, I'm an Argonaut, he's a Tiger-Cat and I can't help him out any more."

The annual Labour Day game between the Argos and Ticats rarely needs any extra hype. But this year, Bruce's dramatic departure down the QEW will make for a fascinating storyline as Hamilton (4-4) looks to avenge an opening-week loss to Toronto (2-6) and bury the Argonauts further in the basement of the CFL East.


Arland Bruce

The fact Bruce is coming off his best game with the Ticats — six catches for 119 yards and two touchdowns — last week versus Edmonton only heightens the intrigue.

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## Medlock honoured for top August play

**CFL** Kicker Justin Medlock of the Toronto Argonauts was a unanimous selection as the CFL's top special teams player for the month of August.

Medlock hit all nine field goals he tried and sported a 40.5-yard punting average. He booted a club record-tying seven field goals in a 36-28 loss to B.C. and has made 20-of-21 attempts overall (95.2 per cent).

Winnipeg Blue Bombers tailback Fred Reid, who ran for more than 400 yards and scored four touchdowns, was named the top offensive player.

End Stevie Baggs of the Saskatchewan Roughriders claimed top defensive player, while Montreal Alouettes safety Matthieu Proulx was selected as top Canadian.

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## Sports in brief

**FAVRE** Minnesota Vikings quarterback Brett Favre will not play in the pre-season finale tomorrow against Dallas. Coach Brad Childress says he does not want to risk injury to Favre or any other starter, so everyone will rest against the Cowboys.

**CFL** The Winnipeg Blue Bombers won't be bringing former NFL receiver Charles Rogers to play in Canada. Rogers is currently suspended by the NFL and thus ineligible to play in the CFL. Bombers coach Mike Kelly said Tuesday the team had an interest in Rogers.

**DETROIT** The Detroit Lions claimed former New England Patriots quarterback Kevin O'Connell off waivers yesterday. The move comes after third-stringer Drew Stanton tore knee cartilage, an injury that requires surgery. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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# 'Well, size doesn't matter'

Suite Talk

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
for Metro Canada

**With well-designed suites and some smart furnishing, R Condos sets out to prove that even small spaces can be spacious, modern and fresh.**

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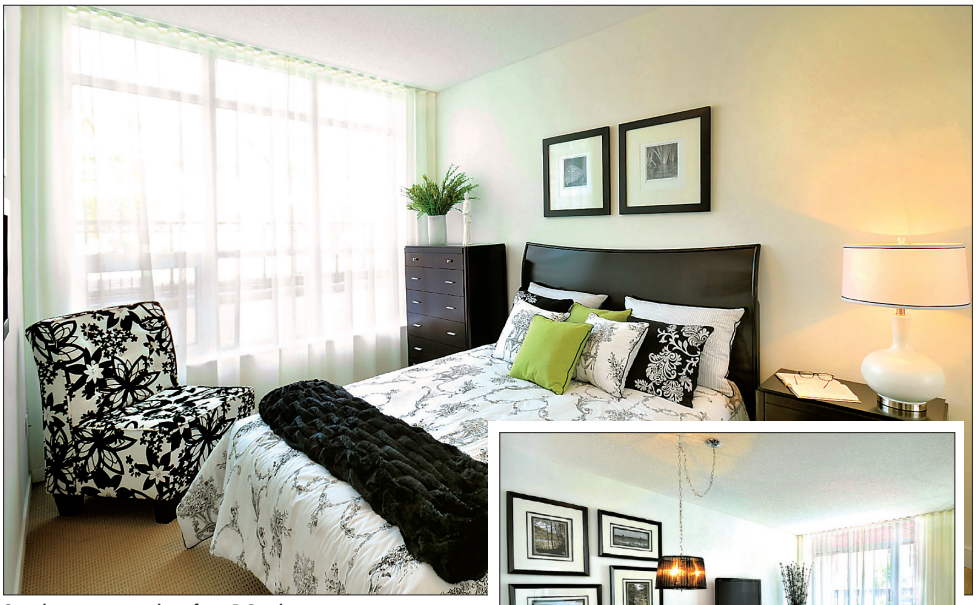
Decor specialist Enza Checchia outfitted the model suite to showcase how much style and space can be achieved with the right layout and furnishing choices.

Despite weighing in at a footage-frugal 578 square feet, the model suite features full-size furniture with seating for five in the TV area and dining for four plus two or three more at the large, peninsula kitchen island. It may sound impossible but Checchia says with proper placement of furniture even a smaller suite can feel spacious.

"What we wanted to do was show people that when the space is appointed well, size doesn't matter," Checchia said.



Seen here are some shots from R Condos.

Delicious-looking layered creams and rich chocolate browns dominate the colour palette with touches of endive green to create a fresh, welcoming space meant to elicit a sense of a refuge from the everyday.

"When you get in the door after a long, busy day, everything just clears to give you a second wind. All around you is a very fresh, comfortable feeling. That's what we were going for," Checchia said.

Floor-to-ceiling windows strengthen the airy, open effect and the engineered hardwood flooring adds a responsive touch of comfort.

The kitchen makes the most of the visuals, juxtaposing lush brown cabinetry with a granite countertop textured in a subtle cookies-and-cream pattern lifted by an undertone of delicate green while black appliances endear a modern sensibility.

The bedroom continues the theme with chocolate-coloured furniture finished in an elegant sheen and multi-textured fabrics including satin and black pile to ensure a sense of comfort which stays classy.

"More often than not, people do want some elegance and formality in the bedroom," Checchia said.

Suites at R Condos range from 544 to 1,046 square feet and prices start at $200,900. For more information, visit redhotcondos.ca.

## Home sale price won't cover it

LegalMatters

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**Q We recently entered into an Agreement of Purchase and Sale to buy a fairly expensive home and when our lawyer did his due diligence on the property, it was found that there were a number of problems with the title all involving large amounts of outstanding money. Our lawyer later said the bank wanted the price upped by $75,000.00. How can this be when we had a binding contract with the vendor?**

A You have a contract with the vendor but not with their bank. You have no recourse against the bank by refusing to not provide clear title when you purchase. Basically, they are telling you that they will not provide clear title to the property at the agreed upon price and are fishing around for more money. If the vendor is so indebted to the bank, then maybe by waiting for the bank to finally walk in and institute power of sale proceedings would be a good idea. Power of sale proceedings lead to a lower sale price. It could be worth it to wait this one out.

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Homes in **Style**

# **Inspiration** out of Africa

EMMA YARDLEY
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**Pierre-Emile Legrain, one of the founders of the Parisian Art Deco movement in the early 20th century, made it his mission to integrate African arts into Western decor. His work popularized the African-influenced motifs found in interiors today.**

"Ritual and utilitarian objects from Africa, which were previously considered curiosities, became sources of inspiration," says Dr. Silvia Forni, an assistant curator at the Royal Ontario Museum and expert in African culture.

"Since then, many western furniture and fashion designers have found inspiration in African forms and materials in the creation of new and fascinating lines."

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The combination of curlicue armrests and worn leather is a great example of using raw materials in classic furniture. Cotswold Sofa, $5,298, Anthropologie, anthropologie.com.

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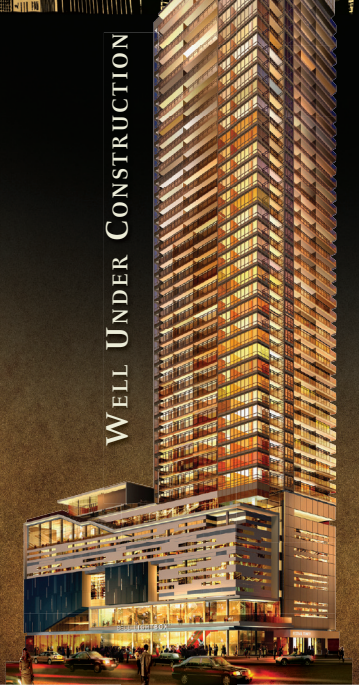

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# Office Space

**A messy workspace can lead to distraction and frustration. Take your geek to chic with these fab organizing items for a clutter-free home office.** By Lauren McPhillips

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**Solution:** Transfer all your images and media to LaCie's Golden Disk external hard drive. It holds one terabyte (TB) of information, which is equal to 1,000 GB. Plus, this stunner adds a little bling to your desktop! $240, Lacie, Lacie.com/ca

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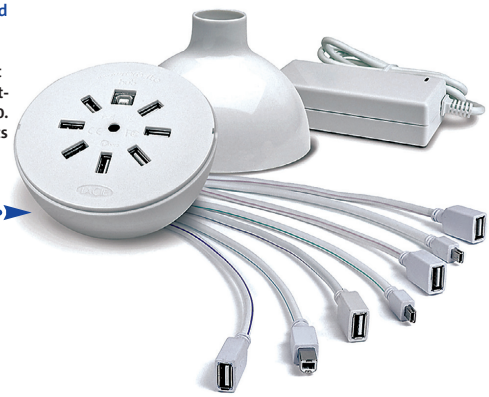
**Solution:** Be at the forefront of geek couture with the cutting-edge LaCie Hub USB 2.0. Connect up to seven gadgets to its flexible USB wires for less cable clutter. $65, Lacie, Lacie.com/ca.



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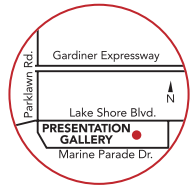


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**Two-way street**
Be attentive to your neighbour's concerns as well, and take them seriously. SYLVIA PUTZ/FOR METRO CANADA

# Neighbourly disputes

HomeScape

Nasty disagreements and escalating arguments over fences and boundary issues and other neighbourly annoyances have a long and storied history.

Whether it is the Black Donnellys or more recently, the wacko neighbours we hear about in the news, beware of extremely bad neighbours. They are usually very easily offended, and can they hold grudges. Not only that, but they're vindicative, and they will get you back for any slight or imagined insult. Slashed tires, dog poo on the front porch, setting your house aflame … you get the idea.

Not all neighbours are nasty, of course. Many, including mine, are lovely. We've had spats, yes, but in the end, we still remain good neighbours. I like to think it's because we have a basic respect for each other and a willingness to solve problems. That, and good fortune in having good people as neighbours, I suppose. At least that's been the case up until now.

If you're unlucky, and you happen to live beside or near the psycho neighbour from hell who threatens you and makes you feel unsafe, contacting the police or taking legal action may help. Moving is another possibility.

But most people don't have the neighbour from hell, thank goodness. Some may be annoying and somebody you'd rather not be friends with, but you can civilly reach an agreement with this person. Perhaps the whole thing is simply a misunderstanding, or your neighbours don't speak English well, and misinterpreted your intentions. With a little help, the two of you may be able to come to a mutually satisfactory arrangement. It's certainly worth a try, right?

And if civil discourse doesn't work, and an angry or abusive response is all you get, you may decide to have as little contact as you can with your crabby neighbour, and somehow try to physically or mentally screen out what you find annoying. That may work.

But the bottom line in a big city is that many people crammed into a small space. Regarding fences and other boundary issues, there are bound to be concerns from both sides. Expect this, and be prepared to work together if possible, to solve the issues.

Regarding annoyance issues, keep in mind that there's got to be a little give and take. A chatty dinner party on the neighbour's patio may disturb your solitary reading activities, but keep it in perspective. You too will have a chatty dinner party one day, and hopefully, your neighbour will return the favour.

Here are some pointers to help develop and maintain good relations with your neighbours.

- Try to establish good relations with neighbours as soon as you move into the area, before any disagreements arise. Introduce yourself, bring cookies, send over a small treat on holidays. Inform them ahead of time of any plans that may concern them (boundary issues, a planned party, construction work, etc…).
- When a problem arises, do not make it personal. Discuss the problem (loud music, for example) and ways to resolve it satisfactorily, rather than criticizing the person, his or her culture or family.
- If you get no satisfaction, suggest mediation. (Usually the city police department can refer you to a community organization that can help you and your neighbour come to an agreement, if both parties are willing.)
- If your neighbour tells you off or is simply unresponsive, do not react with anger. You may come up with a solution yourself. If not, contact the city's bylaw officer to see if you can pursue your problem in this manner.

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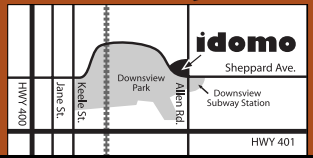

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# Rule No. 1: There are no rules

There are three main questions that buyers initially face — when, what, and how. Here are some insights.

The question that most often comes up first and foremost is when's the right time to buy? Just about everyone has a theory on this but most answers boil down to spring and summer are bad, fall is ok, and winter is good. I'll spare you the details of why people believe this but in a nutshell the belief is wrong and based on the misguided notion that prices are higher during the warmer months. Consider that the average price of a home during winter of a few years back was actually higher than most of the summer that same year. The truth is that our market has began to surge once more. Each season has its advantages and disadvantages. Therefore the best time to buy is when you're ready to buy. Don't get caught up in trying to time the market — the only timing you should be thinking about is your own.

For those buyers looking outside of the downtown area, determining what type of home to buy usually comes down to how much one can comfortably manage. However, those looking downtown often need to decide between a condo building or a condo-townhouse. Make no mistake, there are differences. Deciding between the two is, amongst other things, a matter of lifestyle. Imagine that the condo is like the dating lifestyle whereas the townhouse is more like being married. The condo is flashier, better suited for those who like to go out and paint the town red on a regular basis; those who prefer to be closer to the major entertainment districts of our city and those enjoying a free-wheeling lifestyle.

This is mainly because condos are readily available in or nearer to the core of downtown and because you normally sacrifice on space and/or best possible investment for the sake of living in one of Toronto's sexiest living quarters. The townhouse is geared toward a more routine and comfortable lifestyle. You won't find one as near to the core but you've decided you don't need to be that close to all the parties and parades because you've moved past that phase.

The townhouse is also the savvier investment. Lower maintenance fees means the ability to purchase a more valuable piece of real estate, and one that will appreciate quicker. The focus is more on long-term goals, hopes and desires rather than instantaneous fun.

Finally, the question of how. This is usually more of a concern for first time buyers, when intelligent financing is of the utmost importance. With longer amortization periods and historically low interest rates buying has never been easier. However there is still the matter of finding the shiniest nickel amongst the others. How much of a down-payment to utilize will depend on the state of your RRSP's as well as other, unrelated investments. Your interest rate and payment structure will be affected by your employment situation. The type of mortgage product will depend, in part, on your personal preferences. Understanding the "how" will eventually lead you to establishing "how much," and once you have that, you're closer than ever to hosting your housewarming.

Most important to remember is that despite the fact there are no routine rules of thumbs for these questions, that every buyer will face, the answers do not need to be complicated or elusive. Knowing the questions is the first step toward answering them.

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"Back to school marks a time for new footwear," says Joe Houlihan, head of shoes for Wal-Mart Canada. And this year it's about getting "back to basics, with traditional styles being the real winners," according to Katherine Chapman, chairman of Olly Shoes.

The Payless Smartfit Tod Cute Boot, far left, is $29.99, while the Payless Smartfit Pom Pom fur boot is $39.99. Go to canada.payless.com or phone 1-877-474-6379 for more. The ballerina flats, above, are $19 a pair at Wal-Mart, walmart.ca.

Rich purples are a hit this fall, as seen in Ecco's Summerday purple shoe, ($120 at eccocanada.com), left, and UMI's Fauna shoe ($64.95-$69.95 at Olly Shoes, ollyshoes.com), right.

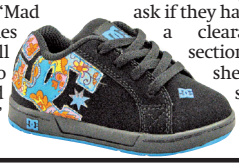
For girls, think fashion boots and ballerina flats. "Rich purples and pinks are a constant favourite," says Chapman.

For boys, it's all about the athletic look. "The DC brand skater shoe has been a big hit in lace-up styles, which offer greater support for activity," she adds.

But graphic canvas sneakers are the universal "it" item for this year's schoolyard catwalk, according to Mardi Larson, spokesperson for Payless Shoes. "What better way to show personal style than by sporting the latest in wearable art? Another big trend this season is tattoo-inspired appliqués, frayed edging, colour blocking patterns and edgier details than ever before."

Plaid is also making a comeback.

Wal-Mart's "Mad about plaid" styles range from small feminine plaids to tartan, tweed and Buffalo checks," says Houlihan.



And affordability never goes out of style. The average Canadian will be spending about $80 on shoes, according to Wal-Mart.

The object is to make that go as far as possible. Payless is offering its signature Bogo sale — buy one, get the second for half-price, while Wal-Mart's shoe assortment starts at $8 — part of its Top 10 Back to School Items for Under $10 promotion.

Chapman recommends doing your homework. "To save money, ask if they have a clearance section," she says. "These are always the same quality products that the store carries, but likely from last season so they will be clearing them out at greatly reduced prices.

"Ask if they have a membership program that ties in to discounts for products purchased. Also many stores will email their members with sale notifications — be sure to get on their list," Chapman says.

The Payless Airwalk Rave Skate is $27.99. Go to canada.payless.com or phone 1-877-474-6379 for more. The DC Court Graffik shoe, far left, is $44.95 at Olly Shoes, ollyshoes.com.

And when it comes to shoes, size matters. To get the most out of a purchase, make sure the shoe fits.

"It's important to go to a store that understands how to properly fit your child," says Chapman. "It's fine to allow for some growing room, but not so much that it hinders the child while walking or running — which could lead to a fall."

## Help your kids get off to a good start with this simple checklist

The first bell at school may still be a few days away, but educators agree that a smooth transition back into reading, writing and arithmetic routines takes some thoughtful planning in advance by parents.

"One of the most accurate predictors of student success is not family income or social status, but the extent to which parents are involved in their children's education," says Dr. Donna McGhie-Richmond, educational specialist with Kumon Math and Reading Centres.

"Parent involvement in education is essential for many students, reinforcing the importance of learning."

To help your children get off to a good start this year, here is McGhie-Richmond's checklist:

• If your child is just beginning the school experience, discuss what can be expected on the first day such as learning class rules, catching up with friends, and making new ones. Show your child the route to school, and make a visit there before classes start.

• Get to know the teachers. Make them aware of out-of-the-ordinary circumstances at home. Let teachers know you expect and appreciate progress information — both positive and negative.

• Set up a regular place at home for schoolwork. Make sure it is well-lit, clutter-free, with paper, pencils, pens, computer, and a dictionary and thesaurus.

• Involve your child in putting together a back-to-school "kit" of supplies that will be needed in the upcoming year. Ask the school for ideas if needed.

• Establish a regular study time for your child every day. Agree on a time and stick to it: Even if homework has already been completed, use the study time for reading or reviewing the work. Mark off the time on a calendar.

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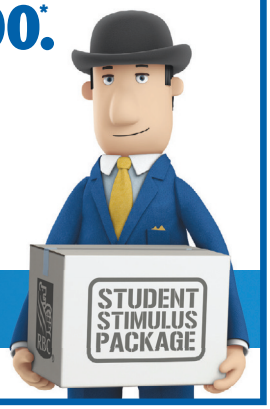


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# When teen relationships go bad

**As local teens return to the world of teachers, books and homework, many will also be looking forward to their first tentative steps down the path of romance.**

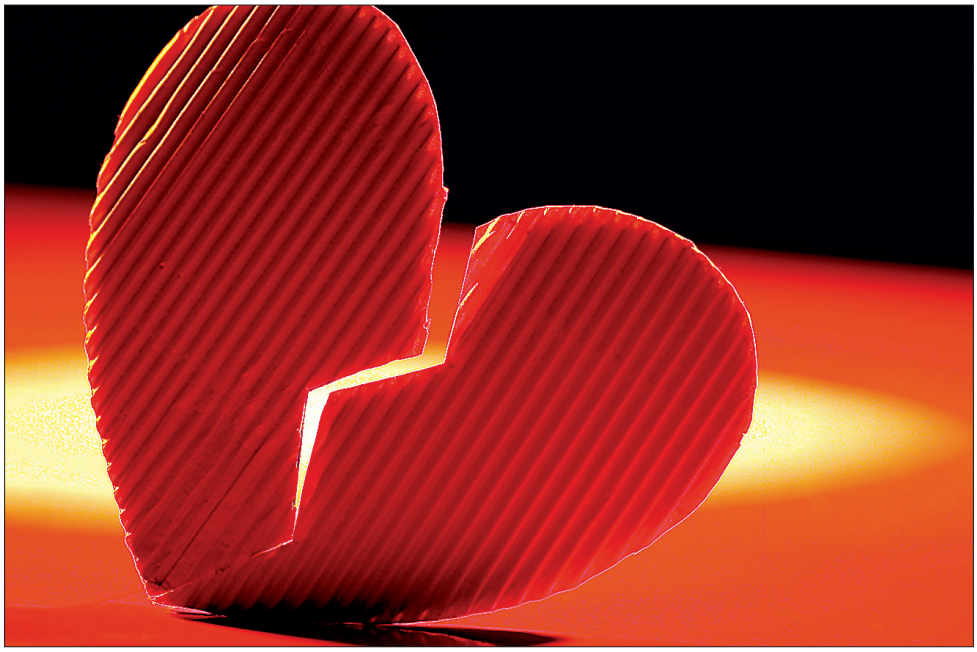
For most, those puppy-love relationships will be memorable moments they will cherish for life. But experts warn many will endure some level of aggression or even violence.

"If you were to go into a high school and ask them how many have been in a relationship in the last six months where there's been some aggression, the rate would be somewhere around 30 per cent, for both boys and girls," says psychologist Jennifer Connolly, director of York University's LaMarsh Centre for Research on Violence and Conflict Resolution.

In our culture, kids start getting interested in the opposite sex in middle school, Connolly says.

"The healthiest thing to be doing at that age is to be in groups of boys and girls, where they can observe how the other sex manages things, and where the group itself ensures nothing too wild is going to happen," she says.

Sharon G. has talked to a lot of teens in her eight years as a counsellor with the Kids Help Phone. She says out of the thousands of calls the organization handles every year, fewer than 10 per cent are about dating violence. (Help Phone counsellors do not identify themselves to callers, so Sharon's last name has been withheld to maintain her anonymity.)



Some teens will endure some level of aggression, or even violence, in their puppy-love relationships, experts warn.

Sharon says most of the young daters calling for help are girls, although she has had boys complaining about manipulation and put-downs by controlling girlfriends.

Sharon, who has a master's degree in counselling psychology, says violent behaviour among dating teenagers ranges from subtle pressure to have sex to overt physical abuse.

"A lot of times we can help them see right from wrong, or help them explore alternatives they didn't know they had," she says.

Girls in abusive relationships often blame themselves for their boyfriends' behaviour, she adds. But when Sharon describes the common cycle of abuse to those callers, the girls are shocked by how accurately it mirrors their relationships:

A boy woos a girl and gets her to care. Once she's committed, the put-downs and insults begin. The couple has a fight, and the boy may react with violence and storm out. They patch things up and the situation improves for a time. But soon the aggressive behaviour resumes.

"We help (the caller) understand this person has slowly worn away her self-esteem and now she is in the position where she thinks everything is her fault," Sharon says.

Parents shouldn't worry about prying if they see signs of abuse, she adds, suggesting their child may not ask for help because they're too ashamed.

"It's always good to check in with them, especially if you start to detect they're acting in a way that's not typical. But do it in an encouraging, gentle way," she says.

The degree of abuse teenagers endure is usually less severe than the hard striking seen in domestic relationships, Connolly says. Teen aggression shows up as shoving, pushing, squeezing or controlling the movements of the partner. She warns, however, that such behaviour can escalate.

The degree of aggression kids experience also depends on age, according to Sharon. Girls in their early teens often complain about pressure to have sex. Girls in their mid-teens deal with much more verbal aggression, while physical abuse occurs more often in the late teens and early 20s.

Connolly urges parents to stay alert to the signs their child might be involved in an aggressive relationship. Signals include concerns about offending the partner, secretiveness about the relationship, refusing to go to school, sadness and spending a lot of time in their room.

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## Getting help

- The Kids Help Phone has counsellors who are available around the clock, seven days a week at 1-800-668-6868. Or you can ask a question online at kidshelpphone.ca.

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# Financial independence possible: Expert

Part of being in college or university is learning to be independent — including financially independent. That's easier said than done for many students, according to a new RBC poll.

The survey found that 48 per cent of returning post-secondary students like being responsible for their own finances. Yet 37 per cent of returning students add that managing their finances while in school is harder than expected. Given the economic downturn, two-thirds of returning students also told the RBC poll they plan to be more cautious with spending this school year.

Understand your spending habits so you can live within your means, experts suggest.

Part of smart spending is understanding the term "financially independent," says Kavita Joshi, director of student markets at RBC.

"Financial independence doesn't necessarily mean having a certain amount in the bank, or being debt-free," she says. "Independence means just that — having the autonomy to make your own financial decisions."

What are some keys to financial independence? Joshi says it's a matter of learning to:

- Understand your spending habits so you can live within your means, and make smart decisions that suit your needs and wants.
- Control what you can control — some expenses are out of your hands, but students have freedom over many others.
- Decide when and how to take on debt (credit cards and loans) — consider the level you're comfortable with and how it influences your spending decisions.

"Understanding that you're in the driver's seat with your spending is a way to assert your financial independence," says Joshi.

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# Learning curve on classroom Net-iquette

Students are embracing technology in the classroom while educators grapple with proper use and courtesy issues.

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Susan McCahan, an engineering professor at the University of Toronto, says most schools do not have strict policies on the use of electronic devices, since most situations can be controlled by basic classroom etiquette.

**"Someone may just have a peek at something — but it can be distracting if it's in your peripheral vision."**
Queen's University student Brendan Coughlin

Simply put, if McCahan thinks their use is causing a distraction in class, she has the right to address the situation.

"The use of technology can be considered a cornerstone in engineering," she says. "Our classrooms are rigged for instant access to information via computers and other devices that help students work as a team."

But she admits it can be very disconcerting to see students surfing the web, emailing friends or even watching movies on their laptops during her lectures.

Brendan Coughlin, 19, a third-year art history major at Queen's University in Kingston, suggests that up to 25 per cent of students are distracted by their laptops at any given time during a lecture.

"Someone may just have a peek at something — but it can be distracting if it's in your peripheral vision," he says. "You can momentarily lose your focus, and you really don't need that during a lecture."

He says the worst is when you're sitting near a fellow student who has no intention of paying attention and just flips from site to site, video to video, all through the lecture.

McCahan has a three-strike policy to control disruptive electronic devices. On a third offence, the student is asked to leave the class and will only be allowed back after a meeting with the professor.

"I tell my students that this is what's it's like in the world of business — a world that they will soon join as engineers — and that they had better be prepared for it." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Dorm life can lead to lack of sleep

Bedtime rituals at home for 19-year-old Maddy Crawford include cookies and milk and propping the bedroom door open before she climbs into the double bed in a room she has to herself.

Crawford likes her sleep and goes to bed at a reasonable hour. But all that is set to change this fall when she moves into a shared dorm room at Queen's University in Kingston.

"It will be weird living with someone and not having everything just — there," says Crawford, who plans to take earplugs when she leaves her Peterborough home for school.

Adapting to life at university — and particularly to residence, with a roommate in close proximity and noisy neighbours — could put her regular sleep pattern out of whack. And experts say that can lead to students racking up a sleep deficit that keeps them from functioning well, both physically and mentally.

With little sleep and lots of stress, students are vulnerable to irritability and depression, says Colin Shapiro, director of the Youthdale Child and Adolescent Sleep Centre in Toronto. Existing conditions such as diabetes, chronic fatigue and asthma can also worsen with sleep deprivation.

He says a lot of memory consolidation occurs during sleep, and having too little can impair cognitive performance at the very time students are being stretched academically.

"Most people have the odd notion that just because they're a human being, they are born to be capable of sleeping well," says Shapiro.

But that's not always the case.

The good news is that in itself, the move to a dorm usually creates only temporary sleep difficulties. Most people find it hard to sleep in a new environment but the problem usually doesn't persist more than a few days, he says.

Only those students who are sensitive to noise and other distractions will have long-term trouble sharing a dorm room.

Last year, Karen Werden moved from her home in Aurora to a residence at the University of Waterloo. She chose to stay in a shared dorm room to be close to classes and force herself to get to know people.

Werden, 19, says she needs eight hours of sleep, and if she doesn't get it, she zones out during the day, unable to focus on what's happening in class.

Throughout the year, Werden got a lot less sleep than she had at home. She didn't consider going to bed before midnight, and only began thinking about getting some shut-eye at 1 a.m., when the residence began to quiet down.

"It's not even loud partying and music," she says. "Just people are up and about and active."

Her marks dropped by 10 per cent in first term and slipped again in second term. She went from an 85 per cent average in high school to grades in the high 60s or low 70s.

Shapiro says students need exactly the amount of sleep that makes them feel refreshed and able to function well. But that amount can vary widely — six hours for some, 10 for others.

Adapting to life in university residence, with noisy neighbours and roommates, could disturb your sleep patterns.

While light is the biggest influence on the body's internal clock, social cues also have an effect, he says. In general, young people whose body clocks are adjusting to shorter adult sleep patterns will have trouble regulating their sleep — even without the added complications of residence life.

"If you're having much more social interaction because you're in a university residence than you did at home, that's going to be a problem," he says.

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## Study tips

Here are some tips from the experts at Sylvan Learning to help students make this school year their most successful one yet:

- **Get organized.** Organization is essential to making your academic year a success. To ensure you stay on top of the requirements for each subject, use separate labelled notebooks for each class; create files for each subject; and use a planner or calendar to keep track of important deadlines.
- **Create a designated area for homework.** Set up an area in your home for studying and homework that is free from potential distractions. Keep a dictionary, pens, paper, textbooks and study tools stored in this area.
- **Ask for help.** If you feel like you're struggling with a particular subject, don't wait to ask for help.
- **Take good notes.** Listen carefully and briefly summarize main ideas, rather than writing down what the teacher says word for word. This will help make studying easier.

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**THE HOODIE:** The perfect cardi/hoodie mix. Got it on sale on Xmas Eve, when I was supposed to be buying a present for a friend.

**THE WATCH:** A birthday present from So Hip It Hurts.

**THE PHONE:** The Samsung Vice™ from Bell. It's got heaps of cool features and it's really smooth and light.

**THE JEANS:** Not too skinny. Not too baggy. Picked these up in Montreal.

**THE SHOES:** Proof of my sneaker fetish. A recent purchase from Get Outside on Queen Street.

## LIAM, Toronto

**LIAM'S LOOK:** Street chic. He wears what he likes. He's nailed the art of blending budget basics with a few pricier pieces. The result: calculated cool. He only brings out the big bucks for stuff he can't lose because it's physically attached to him, like watches and shoes. One thing you'll never see attached to Liam: skinny jeans.

Just one-third of Canadian students say they are interested in class, according to a recent report.

# Students tuning out

**Only about one-third of Canadian students say they are interested in class, or motivated to do well, reports a new study of more than 32,000 children and teens from Grades 5 to 12.**

**"The message has been clear: Students do no want learning made easy, they want it to mean something."**
Canadian Education Association report

Although two-thirds of the students surveyed participate in at least one extracurricular club or sport, and 69 per cent have good attendance records, just 37 per cent feel they were "intellectually engaged" in math and language arts, says the study by the Canadian Education Association (CEA), a non-profit research and policy group.

"Across Canada, many students have told CEA that classrooms and learning as they are currently organized are not working," says the report. "They are not working for students who can keep up with the pace set by the lectures, textbooks and tests, and they are not working for those who cannot ... the message has been clear: Students do not want learning made easy, they want it to mean something."

More than 90 schools across the country took part in the survey, "What did you do in school today," part of a multi-year project looking at how students feel about their education and how schools and teachers can improve.

It measured student engagement in three ways: Socially (participation in extracurricular clubs/sports, a sense of belonging); academic (arriving on time, attending class regularly); and intellectual (interest and motivation to do well, feel education is relevant).

What the report found is that, as students progress through the grades, their engagement drops on all levels, especially intellectually.

"It's not clear that intellectual engagement is happening," says Penny Milton, chief executive officer of CEA. "That's the kind of learning that requires you to think, and think deeply, and it may not be happening for many kids.

"They've learned that if they memorize the facts, and if they can answer questions, that's what school requires. What we could argue is that to become good learners, they need to become thinkers."

Even for students who move on to post-secondary education, Milton says it appears they are less well-prepared than they used to be.

"Somehow, there's this sense that even kids who are successful aren't as competent or as confident as learners as we need them to be."

But what can schools do to help?

The study clearly points at teaching methods and suggests that they alone could narrow the achievement gap between students, even overcoming such obstacles as poverty or other risk factors.

"I do, of course, think that students' ranges of abilities is real," Milton says. "However, what I'm talking about is, could we actually imagine reaching a minimal standard for the vast majority of people?"

The study suggests teaching methods can affect student engagement and depth of learning.

"Work needs to be relevant, meaningful and authentic," Milton says.

So, rather than simply teach about ecosystems in biology class, for example, teachers can explain how ecosystems exist in other aspects of life, such as in politics or international relationships. "They then have access to a way of thinking they can apply to other fields."

Milton adds that teachers and schools need to make better use of in-class time, and that schools need to be organized around learning.

For Gorick Ng, the student council president at Toronto's Marc Garneau Collegiate, participating in extracurricular activities helps spark those critical connections.

"I think students need to find their niche," he says. "A lot view school as a place where you sit down, soak up whatever's on the blackboard and not take it any further."

Although the study suggests high expectations from teachers will rub off on students, Ng says teens also have to think big.

"Students should have high expectations for themselves," he says. "It's not about living up to teachers' expectations, but building goals for yourself and achieving them."

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**Cake creations**

Ace of Cakes returns to Food Network with a new season tonight at 10 p.m. ET and 11 p.m. PT. When the hit series Lost needs a cake to celebrate their 100th episode, actor Jorge Garcia calls Duff at Charm City Cakes to commission a cake creation. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Food

**Don't forget, if using wooden skewers, to soak them in water for 20 minutes prior to threading on meat or vegetables. This helps prevent the skewers from burning on the grill.** 20 MINUTE SUPPER CLUB

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# Apricots and nectarines

## Soft fruit stars in these skewers and dessert

**Getting ready to go back to school? Don't stress over finding cheap eats to get you through your next semester. Try the new Student Saver Guide on 20minutesupperclub.com. It's an easy way to stay healthy and keep within your food budget this year!**

Take your one last chance to get out and grill while the weather is still warm with this week's sweet yet tart meal! Fire up and grill these delicious Chicken Skewers with Black Pepper Apricot Glaze. For a fresh finale, try these Baked Lime Nectarines in the oven or on the grill. Nothing says the end of summer like the taste of ripe peaches or nectarines baked with lime and honey and served up with vanilla ice cream.

CARLO MENDOZA

Fire Roasted Chicken Skewers with Black Pepper Apricot Glaze

### Fire Roasted Chicken Skewers with Black Pepper Apricot Glaze

Recipe developed by Paula Bowman.

SERVES 4
PREP TIME: 10 MINUTES
COOKING TIME: 10 MINUTES

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 1/2 lb green beans, trimmed
- 1/4 cup apricot jam
- 3 tbsp cider vinegar
- 1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper plus more for seasoning
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 1/2 lbs skinless and boneless chicken breast, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 fennel bulb, quartered lengthwise, cored and thinly sliced, fronds reserved
- 6 small radishes, halved and thinly sliced into half-moons
- 2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil, plus more for oiling grill
- 1 lemon, zested and juiced

**METHOD:**

Preheat grill to medium-high.

Fill a large bowl of water with ice water and set aside. Bring a saucepan of salted water to a boil. Blanch green beans in boiling water until tender-crisp, about 4 minutes. Remove from boiling water and plunge in ice water until cooled. Drain and pat dry with paper towels. Cut into 2-inch lengths and set aside in large bowl.

Meanwhile, combine next 4 ingredients together in bowl. Stir until smooth and well blended and set aside.

Thread chicken pieces onto 8 metal or presoaked wooden skewers and season with salt and pepper. Lightly brush grill with olive oil, place chicken skewers on grill and cook for 2 minutes. Turn skewers over one quarter turn and baste cooked side with glaze. Continue to cook, basting and turning as needed until cooked through, about 8-9 minutes total. Remove from heat, cover chicken lightly with foil and assemble salad.

Add fennel and radishes to reserved green beans, drizzle with olive oil, lemon zest and juice and season with salt and pepper. Garnish with some of the reserved fennel fronds.

Serve salad divided between 4 plates with skewers of grilled chicken.

### Baked Lime Nectarines

SERVES 6
PREP TIME: 5 MINUTES
COOKING TIME: 20 MINUTES

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 3 large nectarines
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 2 tablespoons lime juice

**Optional:**

- Vanilla Ice cream
- Grated semisweet baking chocolate

**METHOD:**

Preheat oven to 325°F

Cut nectarines in half around the center. Dig out pit with a spoon. Place cut side up on a baking sheet.

Drizzle the honey and lime juice over the nectarine edges and in the pit cavity.

Bake for 20-30 minutes depending on the ripeness of the nectarines. Remove from oven and place in individual serving bowls.

Let cool a few minutes. If desired, add a scoop of ice cream to each bowl and grate chocolate over top.

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### Tasty extras

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## LiquidAssets

**Peter Rockwell**

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### One sweet sip

Some things in life are just too hard for me to understand. Things like: The CBC's decision that what's really missing from my afternoons are reruns of Ghost Whisperer, how Chris Brown can sleep at night and, closest to my heart, why so many people I meet complain that they can't finish a full bottle of wine in one sitting.

Jennifer Love Hewitt's acting and slap happy musicians aside, leave it to the innovative Aussies to solve the "too much wine" problem. Hardys has created a 250 millilitre bottle they call the shuttle that's made of plastic (yes, plastic) with a screw-off cap that — get this — has its own glass attached.

The **Stamp Series 2007 Chardonnay Semillon ($4.25 - $4.99)** is a soft, lightly tropical white with a rich, citrusy finish, while the **Stamp Series 2008 Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon ($4.25 - $4.99)** is a bright, easy-drinking red with lots of dark cherry/berry fruit and a touch of spice.

Both are food-friendly and offer the same juice as their readily available 750 millilitre counterparts (in case you could use a second sip) and are perfect for picnics, camping or just to have around the house for when unexpected guests pop over.

*Prices reflect the range across the country. Some products may not be available in all provinces.*

Peter Rockwell is the everyman's wine writer, working in the liquor industry for more than 25 years and travelling the globe looking for something to fill his glass and put into words.

### On the web

**Global Peasant:**

- Travel along with Diane Thompson's culinary adventures in her Global Peasant blog. Visit metronews.ca/globalpeasant for a recipe for raw caesar salad dressing.

### Editor's Note

- Starting next week, the Food section is moving to Tuesdays, bringing you great recipes and terrific food content earlier in the week.
- Starting next Thursday, Metro is launching Urban Foodie, a column that reviews Toronto's best dining spots.

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**Fair trade chocolate hits mainsteam**

By summer 2010, Cadbury Dairy Milk bars will begin to proudly display the Fair Trade Certification mark, bringing Fair Trade certified chocolate to grocery stores, gas stations, convenience shops and corner retailers across Canada, making a difference in the lives of thousands of cocoa farmers. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Snappy suppers

**EASY** Getting dinner on the table in about 10 minutes can be a workout. If you plan to cook, rather than just nuke, that sort of speed requires a fair amount of multitasking. Which means your best bet is to stick with simple, one-dish meals.

But that doesn't mean you need to skimp on flavour. Here are my top tips for speed cooking:

- Make friends with fresh pasta. It's pricier than dry pasta, but it cooks in just minutes and has a wonderful texture. And to save time, the first step of any recipe involving pasta should be to set the water on to boil. This lets you do other things while the water heats.
- Fresh herbs taste best, but dried are faster (shaking a bottle versus washing and snipping). In this recipe, garlic powder does a respectable job standing in for fresh garlic.
- Opt for veggies that need little or no prep. Most grocers offer plenty of washed and chopped varieties. In this case, prewashed arugula needs nothing more than being tossed into the pan. Baby spinach is another good choice.
- Meat that cooks quickly — or is already cooked — saves time and can add tons of flavour. Cooked chicken sausages, prosciutto and chorizo need little work or time but add serious flavour.
- If the cheese will be melted or tossed with other ingredients, get the shredded or crumbled varieties. It's faster and you also won't need to wash up the grater.

## Fresh Pasta With Arugula and Chorizo

SERVES 4

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) extra-virgin olive oil
- 5 ml (1 tsp) garlic powder
- Pinch red pepper flakes
- 250 g (8 oz) chopped or crumbled chorizo, casings removed
- 1 pkg (350 g/12 oz) fresh linguini
- 750 ml (3 cups) arugula
- 250 ml (1 cup) grated Parmesan cheese
- Salt and ground black pepper, to taste

**METHOD:**

Bring a large saucepan of salted water to a boil.

Meanwhile, in a large skillet over high, heat oil. Add garlic powder and red pepper flakes, then heat for 30 seconds. Add chorizo and saute until browned and crisp, about 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, add pasta to water and cook until just al dente, about 3 minutes. Drain pasta, then add it to skillet with chorizo. Toss well, then add arugula and cheese. Toss again until arugula is wilted and cheese melts. Season with salt and pepper.

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Fresh Pasta with Arugula and Chorizo

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Erik Trinidad picks apart a chicken breast sandwich from Subway which he turns into farfalle with chicken marinara sauce.

# Fast food's fancy makeover

## Blogger takes cheap meals and makes high-end cuisine

**At FancyFastFood.com, dashboard dining gets a serious — and seriously upscale — makeover.**

Big Macs are transformed into elegant strips of "McSteak." Cream-filled Dunkin' Donuts are scooped out to make "Boston Kreme Brulee." And Nathan's hot dogs are mashed into faux foie gras.

The website is the brainchild of Erik Trinidad, a Brooklyn resident who buys fast-food dinners, deconstructs them in his kitchen and then reassembles them into meals resembling haute cuisine.

The site, which features toungue-in-cheek recipes and luscious photos, has received plenty of media attention in the three months since its debut. And while it may not represent a full-blown culinary trend, it does illustrate the enduring appeal of playing with your food.

"Every day I'm thinking about how absurd it is," Trinidad said.

Trinidad posts new creations about once a week, covering the major fast-food groups of burger, pizza, chicken, taco, hot dog and doughnut. The restaurants rotate, but the process is the same. He brings a meal home, pulls it apart, then puts it back together (a food processor is often involved) to make it look like a gourmet dish.

As for the taste? "They all pretty much taste the same," Trinidad said.

Trinidad is a freelance interactive designer and writer with no formal culinary training. But he does have a history of culinary mischief.

He and his brother used to have food styling competitions as kids during family trips to Chinese buffets. Dad would say something like "Do a soup dish" and Trinidad would fetch a bowl of egg drop soup, peel some shrimp to rest on the bowl's edge and drizzle on soy sauce.

Trinidad continued his food styling hobby after he got an apartment with a nice kitchen, posting pictures of his creations on Facebook. One day, Trinidad ordered a Big Mac Extra Value Meal at McDonald's and decided to trick out his dinner. He sliced the patties into spears, pureed the French fries with bits of bun for the potatoes and poured the Coke into a wine glass. He garnished it with the pickle slice and sesame seeds plucked from the bun. Voila: McSteak&Potatoes.

Subsequent Fancy Fast Food dishes have become more ambitious. He has decobbed kernels with a corn stripper, used his bamboo sushi roller on a chicken wrap and caramelized doughnut custard with a kitchen torch.

Under his own rules, the creations can't be augmented with outside ingredients except to garnish, like a lemon peel. Trinidad says the limits inspire creativity, though it may also limit outside submissions. The website invites others to offer up their creations, but Trinidad has posted just one. He turned down one submission of a cutup McDonald's cheeseburger because it added avocado and arugula.

"That's cheating," he said.

Trinidad's dishes are unique, though there's nothing new about mutant culinary creations. Contestants on the Bravo TV series "Top Chef," for instance, are sometimes given rolls of quarters for vending machines and told to create bite-sized hors d'oeuvres.

Meanwhile, Trinidad is wracking his brains for new dishes.

"I'm just sort of making it up as I go week to week," he said "The pressure's on."

- Visit fancyfastfood.com

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### His creations

- Erik Trinidad has transformed a fried chicken from Popeyes into "Spicy Chicken Sushi," Taco Bell burritos into a tortellini dish dubbed "Tacobellini" and Domino's veggie pizza into "Dao Mi Noh Chow Mein" (reducing the Diet Coke to syrup in a wok for the "hoisin sauce").

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# Style

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# East **meets** West

## Middle Eastern influences abound this fall

**TREND** The weather may be getting cooler, but that doesn't mean you can't adopt the hot styles of the east.

With the Egyptian-set film Cairo Time hitting the big screen at TIFF this month, a dash of the exotic may be just the thing your fall wardrobe needs.

So just because you aren't sight-seeing in beautiful Cairo like Patricia Clarkson's character (Juliette) doesn't mean you can't look the part.

Here are some of our favourite new East meets West fall pieces.

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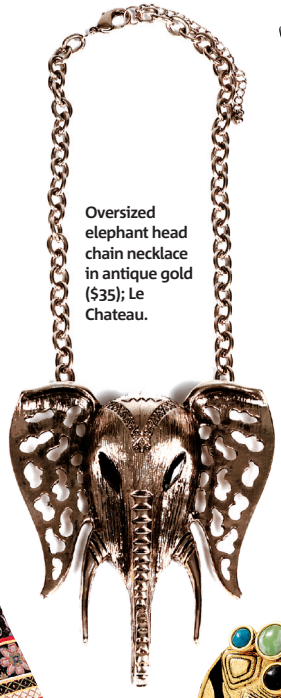
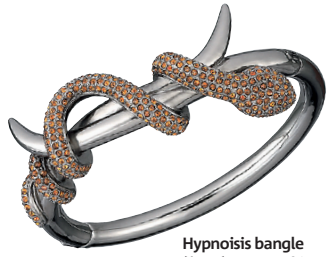
One shoulder orange dress with beading detail ($169.95); Le Chateau.

Mustard clutch ($238) by Town Shoes.

Brocade jacket with faux fur trim ($89.99); Winners.



Oversized elephant head chain necklace in antique gold ($35); Le Chateau.



Hypnoisis bangle ($300); swarovski.com.

Gold tassle scarf ($40); Gap.

Blue lapis, jade and turquoise ring with black enamel set in gold ($193). Visit liasophia.ca.

Metallic gold flats by Town Shoes ($99.95).

Model: Knit vet with faux fir trim, $49.99; metallic belt, $19.99; print leggings, $19.99; statement ring, $16.99; multi-strand bracelet, $29.99; designer leather and faux fur boots, $399.99; printed chiffon top, $19.99; faux fur muffler, $16.99. All available at Winners.

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**ADVICE** Fall's major '80s trend brings back the ever popular shade of cobalt blue. Whether you're a blonde, a brunette or even a fiery redhead, this easy-to-play-with hue will look great on you! Wear it head-to-toe, contrast it with black or use it as a punch of colour to pump up your outfit.

Glossy leather pumps, Nine West ($120, ninewest.ca)

Cotton turtleneck ($45, at Winners)

Leather shoulder bag ($240, at Banana Republic)

Quilted nylon and polyurethane gloves, Miss Sixty ($69, info@sixty canada.com)

Cotton-knit cardigan and modal and cotton turtleneck, Cassis ($85 and $39, cassis.ca)

Sleeveless polyester and spandex dress, RW&CO. ($78, rw-co.com)

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# MODERN SCULPTURE

## Makeup artistry makes a comeback with softy chiselled cheeks

**EXPERT SHERI STROH**, Toronto-based makeup artist ● Even out the skin tone with a matte foundation, and apply concealer where needed. ● Use an angled blush brush to apply a light to medium matte bronzer in the hollows of the cheeks. (Making a "fish face" will help you find the right spot.) Starting an inch or so away from the mouth and nose, softly blend under the cheekbone and up and out toward the ear. ● Press a light concealer onto hydrated lips or apply a nude lipstick for the same effect.

Lise Watier Eye Shine Metallic Eye Liner in Gold ($16)

Benefit Velvet Eyeshadow in Bikini Line ($22)

Yves Rocher Couleurs Nature Matte Fluid Foundation in Beige 300 ($25)

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# PACKING HEAT

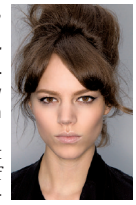
Rowenta Professional Flat Iron ($219)

Kevin.Murphy Straight.Defence Heat Protecting Straightening Balm ($25.50)

Beloved by fashion designers and stylists for its steamers and travel irons, Rowenta has launched a line of high-end hairstyling tools. The new collection includes a blow-dryer with a built-in auto sensor — it shuts off when you set it down and on when you pick it up — and a flatiron with flexible ceramic plates that make it easier to work with, says Toronto-based celebrity hairstylist Brennen Demelo. Before heat styling, protect your mane with Kevin.Murphy's new line, which promises to shield hair from temps as high as 220°C.

**Editors' Pick**

# HIGH SEASON



**Harry Josh, celebrity stylist for John Frieda, on how to wear an updo:**

● Keep it relaxed. "If it's too polished, you just end up looking matronly," says Josh. ● If you wear your hair up often, Josh recommends getting bangs and layers around your face. Once your hair is up, pull out the layers to create a frame for the washing and brush through a flexible hairspray or dry shampoo beforehand.

## Fashion Week coverage

• Beginning next week Metro Canada will bring you exclusive coverage from fashion weeks in New York, London, Milan and Paris, along with the latest in Canadian fashion. The series starts on Sept. 10 with New York and continues weekly with London (Sept. 17), Milan (Sept. 24), Paris (Oct. 1), and Toronto (Oct. 15).

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**Lindsay leaves Hollywood home**
Lindsay Lohan is leaving the rented Hollywood Hills home that was burgled last week. She was photographed clearing out of the property on Tuesday and a removal firm showed up to take away her valuables. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

# Entertainment

**Jackson tribute**
La Toya Jackson has decided to release the first single off her new album as a tribute to Michael Jackson. Proceeds from Home will go to one of Michael's AIDS charities. POPEATER.COM

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# Whitney Houston is back

## Singer launches comeback bid with new album I Look To You

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I Look To You is the first new album from Whitney Houston in almost seven years.

### Whitney Houston

**Album:** I Look To You
**Label:** Arista
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕

**WHITNEY HOUSTON FANS** look to the singer primarily for her voice, that penetrating cry that can transform a Dolly Parton song into a power ballad that could shatter whole buildings and Billboard charts alike. So those same fans will be disappointed to hear that those days are over, in the form of her comeback album. The singer will never be the vocal powerhouse she used to be. That said, with an all-star roster of writers and producers on board (Danja, R. Kelly, Swizz Beats, Alicia Keys, Akon, David Foster), I Look To You is guaranteed to succeed. And with a few bangers, like the empowerment-funk of Million Dollar Bill, the sensitive title track and the club-sleek Nothin' But Love, Whitney does the best with what she's got.

**Jason Richards/for Metro Canada**

### Pitbull

**Album:** Rebelution
**Label:** J Records
**Rating:** ⊕⊕

**DESPITE THE TITLE,** there's nothing rebellious or revolutionary about

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Pitbull's fourth record. It's a far cry from the rapper's sophomore album, El Mariel, which was filled with political messages about being a Cuban growing up in Miami. These days the hip-hop star sings mostly derogatory songs about sex and girls. While most of the songs are slick club numbers — hit single I Know You Want Me has been playing in bars for weeks — the lyrics are offensive and humourless. This music will make you move, just be ready to feel ashamed when you're done.

**Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada**

### Terri Clark

**Album:** The Long Way Home
**Label:** EMI
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕

**"MY MOMMA WAS** a hippy and my daddy was a rolling stone." It's the sort of rock 'n' roll cliché that seems to have taken over Nashville in recent years. And here it is, the key line of Gypsy Boots, the opening track of Terri Clark's long-awaited new CD, The Long Way Home. Yet, Clark manages to make it sound believable and real. It's been four years since Clark has released an album of new songs and tiswill be sure to please fans with a strong mix of chart-finding rockers (What Happens in Vegas), love-torn ballads (her You Tell Me duet with Johnny Reid) and girl-power anthems (Poor Girls Dream). Sometimes it's just too hard to resist a cliché.

**Graham Rockingham /for Metro Canada**

### Amelia Curran

**Album:** Hunter, Hunter
**Label:** Six Shooter Records
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕⊕

**AMELIA CURRAN IS** a singer-songwriter from St. John's, N.L., whose songs come from cobwebbed cabins lit by kerosene lamps. Curran's pleading voice performs with a bare-bones purity that steps with stealth into the darker corners of our nature. The things she finds aren't always the things we want to hear, but they are real. Her songs explore inner-turmoil and bleeding hearts, even dare to face down self-loathing itself. "We keep our demons on the burner and our morals on the shelf," she sings in The Mistress. The opening track, Bye Bye Montreal, bids adieu to the artistic home of Leonard Cohen. Through songwriters like Curran, we know his legacy will continue.

**Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada**

### Juliette Lewis

**Album:** Terra Incognita
**Label:** The End
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕

**AFTER FOUR ALBUMS,** Lewis is finally a bona fide musician. The actress has said this is the first time she's focused on songwriting and it shows. Terra Incognita is smooth, focused and easily her most thoughtful album to date. She covers a lot of ground — Ghosts is an atmospheric Janis Joplin-like track; Fantasy Bar is a raucous tune with a soaring chorus; on Suicide Dive Bombers she sounds like Bowie.

**Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada**

### The Apples In Stereo

**Album:** #1 Hits Explosion
**Label:** Yep Roc
**Rating:** ⊕⊕⊕⊕

**THE LATE '90S** weren't a complete musical wasteland. You just had to dig a bit to find the good stuff. Those digging hard enough would have landed on the Elephant 6 indie collective that produced a nerdy little Denver band called The Apples In Stereo. #1 Hits Explosion offers up 16 of the band's best from its 13-year, eight-album history. A great introduction for newcomers and a concise compilation for fans.

**Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada**

**Bones baby**

Bones star David Boreanaz is a dad again. The actor's wife, Jaime Bergman, gave birth to the couple's second child, a daughter, on Aug. 31. Bardot Vita Boreanaz joins her older brother, seven-year-old Jaden Rayne. PEOPLE.COM

# Farewell to an epic soap

## Guiding Light ends after 72 years on air

**Until not so long ago, Stage 42 at CBS' Broadcast Center in New York held a honeycomb of chambers where Guiding Light was shot.**

Here stood a life-size dollhouse whose rooms (the Spaulding study; the Company restaurant; the Beacon hotel) fit together, snug as a Rubik's Cube, providing multiple locations and ease of production.

Except that, by a Friday in early August, half of Stage 42 was a void. Roughly half of the set had already been dismantled. This was the last day shooting here at West 57th Street. Then two final days on location in New Jersey. Then lights out for Guiding Light.

You don't have to be a fan of the show, or of the soap opera genre it pioneered, to feel a sense of gravity at the demise of Guiding Light. "It's been reflecting American life back at America since before World War II," said Guiding Light executive producer Ellen Wheeler.

"We are the history of so many people," added veteran leading lady Tina Sloan. "They watched it for so long." But on Friday, Sept. 18 they will watch its final hour, after 72 years and more than 15,700 weekdays on television and radio. It's a run, an institution, that has never been matched and never will.

"I was just packing up my dressing room," said a wistful Robert Newman, who began on the show 28 years ago, and, with only a couple of sabbaticals, has played colourful, oft-wed Josh Lewis ever since. "I've got a lot of junk in there," he mused.

As he spoke, a corridor outside the dressing rooms was jammed with racks of clothes and other costumes being put up for sale to the Guiding Light troupe.

"I took my nurse's uniform," said Tina Sloan, who began her run as nurturing Lillian Raines in 1983. She made a joke about wearing the uniform at home and waiting for emergencies to handle, like she did at Cedars Hospital as Lillian. "I'm mourning her," Sloan said, turning serious. "They're putting Let's Make a Deal in our place. All I can say is: BIG deal!"

It's the latest chapter in the doomsday scenario that has plagued soaps for decades and has now claimed Guiding Light.

Used to be, at any given time there were a dozen-odd daytime dramas on the schedule. Soon there will be only seven. The oldest now becomes CBS' As the World Turns, which began in 1956 Light debuted on NBC radio in 1937 as a 15-minute serial, then came to CBS television in 1952. In 1968, Guiding Light expanded to 30 minutes and, in 1977, to a full hour. Those were the glory days of Light and daytime drama overall. Huge, faithful audiences flocked to their TVs at the appointed time each day. Then, within a few years, soaps had peaked. In the 1991-92 season, top-ranked soap The Young and the Restless was drawing 10.3 million viewers, with Guiding Light seen by 6.5 million.

By the 2006-2007 season, Y&R was still No. 1 — but with roughly half as many viewers. GL, in the cellar, had 2.75 million viewers.

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Kim Zimmer and Robert Newman, who star as Reva and Josh on Guiding Light. The series' final episode will air on Friday, Sept. 18.

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**Pamuk, Ignatieff to attend author fest**

The lineup for the 30th International Festival of Authors in Toronto has been bolstered with another 44 names, including Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff, Nobel Prize winner Orhan Pamuk and New Yorker illustrator R.O. Blechman. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Georgas of the jingle

## Canadian musician's song for Wal-Mart generates buzz

**Vancouver-based indie musician Hannah Georgas was playing to a mostly empty New York City bar when she got what might be her big break.**

There weren't many people listening that night, but she won over one very important new fan, who asked her to write a jingle for Wal-Mart.

That jingle is now in a commercial, which is getting Georgas more attention that she's ever gotten before, and even some notice from country-pop star Taylor Swift.

The song — with some jangly guitar, glockenspiel flourishes and just a couple lines of vocals, "don't ever feel alone/ you've got a place called home" — is the backdrop for two different ads.

In one, a mother and daughter share a sentimental goodbye as the teen prepares for life at college. In the other, a mother and son share a slightly more awkward moment as mom hands over a framed family photo to hang on his dorm wall.

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Vancouver-based indie musician Hannah Georgas' jingle for Wal-Mart is getting her a lot of recognition.

"It's going to be airing on TV for back to school for eight weeks all through North America, it's been on YouTube and lots of people have been commenting on the song, it's just been a great response," Georgas said in a telephone interview.

Based on the response from online posters, Georgas and bandmate Ryan Guldemond are now going back to the studio to turn the jingle into a full song, which will likely be posted on Wal-Mart's official website as a free download.

Georgas, who has currently only released a five-song EP but is putting the finishing touches on her debut full-length album, is going on tour across Canada in October and hopes the attention she's getting from the commercial sells a few extra tickets.

She adds she had no qualms about commercializing her music or writing for Wal-Mart, even if some musicians believe their compositions are sacrosanct and should never be used for corporate purposes.

"It's another way for an artist to get their music out there and for people to hear it," she said.

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## Mix of Six

**Metro taps into today's best entertainment and event picks**

**CIRQUE** Cirque Du Soleil's show Ovo opens today in Toronto. The show features a colourful world where insects play, work, eat and fight. The tent has been set up at the Port Lands (on Cherry Street). Visit cirquedusoleil.com for more information.

Cirque Du Soleil's Ovo

**SPORTS** The Blue Jays square off against the New York Yankees tonight in the first of a four game series at the Rogers Centre. For Blue Jays ticket information, please call 416-341-1234 or visit bluejays.com.

**THE EX** Singer Matt Dusk, who was the champion of the CNE's Rising Star Talent Competition in 1998, performs at The Bandstand tonight at 7:30 p.m. For more information, visit theex.com.

**SCIENCE** The Ontario Science Centre will soon be closing its special exhibition The Science of Spying, which is only there until Monday. 770 Don Mills Rd. Visit ontariosciencecentre.ca.

**FUNDRAISER** Scouts Canada is kicking off its fundraising campaign Scout Popcorn from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Yonge-Dundas Square. The event will feature popcorn, music, prizes and a member of the Toronto Argonauts and the Argo Cheerleaders. ydsquare.ca

**MUSIC** Local singer-songwriter Jerry Leger plays his own brand of Hank Snow-inspired country and folk tonight at Castro's Lounge, 2116 Queen St. E., PWYC.

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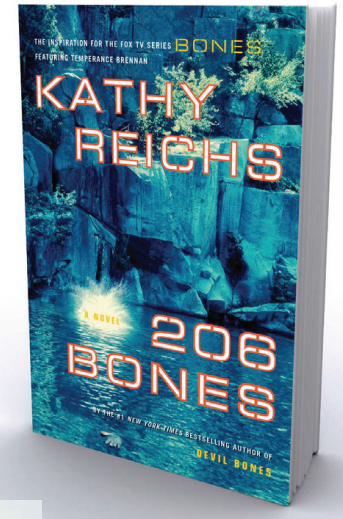


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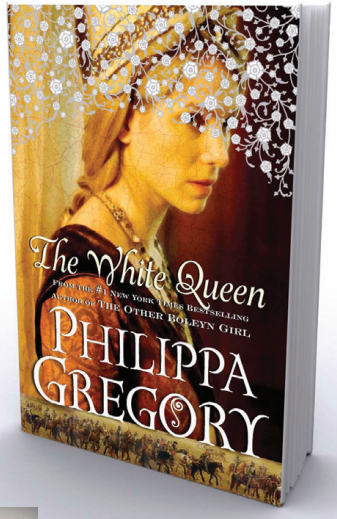


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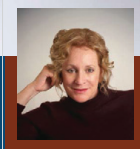

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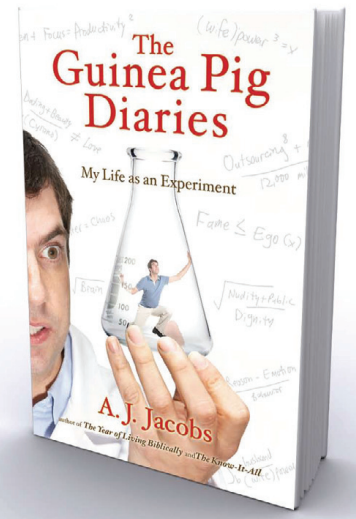


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# The robot future

## Developers say they're edging closer to something like The Jetsons' Rosie

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We're not there yet but robot developers say we're getting closer.

"They'll drive cars, do your laundry, carry weapons and do bad things as well," said Jacky Baltes, a computer science professor at the University of Manitoba who has been developing a robot called Archie in conjunction with the Vienna University of Technology in Austria.

"This revolution is going to be much bigger than the computer revolution."

Baltes and his colleagues are aiming to eventually develop Archie into something very Jetsons-like — a robot that could assist the disabled, the elderly and everyday families in tasks around the home. Archie took part this summer in Robocup 2009 — a type of world championship for autonomous (non-remote controlled) robots.

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**A manlike robot called Archie was developed by the Technical University of Vienna and the University of Manitoba.**

For now, Archie can walk forward and backward. It's early days yet, but Baltes feels that Archie or some robot just like him will be fully functioning and affordable within a few decades.

The year 2050 is a target for many in the robotics world. It's when they hope to have an android capable of beating the world's best soccer player, much like the way a computer named Deep Blue beat chess champion Gary Kasparov in 1997.

Getting there will require huge leaps on two fronts. One, scientists will need to develop a robot that can move quickly and with agility on two feet. Secondly, robots will have to possess the type of artificial intelligence that will allow them to see their opponent, the ball and the field and make split-second decisions about which way to run or kick.

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**Boy George unchained**

Boy George has had an ankle bracelet allowing police to monitor his whereabouts removed. The singer had to wear the device at all times as a condition of his early release from jail for his assault and false imprisonment of a male escort in 2007. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

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# Anchor Gibson bows out

## Diane Sawyer taking over ABC's World News

**Charles Gibson is retiring as at the end of the year and Diane Sawyer will replace him in January as anchor of ABC's World News, the network said.**

Gibson, 66, said he had been planning to retire at the end of 2007 but events compelled him to stay. He was named anchor following the death of Peter Jennings and the wartime injury of Bob Woodruff in 2006.

He's been at ABC News for 35 years and says he plans to continue as an occasional contributor.

Sawyer's elevation means that, with Katie Couric at CBS, two of the three leading anchors for the broadcast networks will be women.

His comforting presence made him an instant ratings hit at World News at a time the other networks had much younger anchors.

But NBC's Brian Williams eventually passed him by and has been leading in the ratings for the past year, with World News a solid second.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS PHOTOS

Charles Gibson is retiring from his role as anchor of ABC's World News. He will be replaced by Diane Sawyer.

"The program is now operating at a very accelerated, but steady, cruising speed and I think it is an opportune time for a transition — both for the broadcast and for me," Gibson said in an email to fellow ABC News staffers. "Life is dynamic; it is not static."

Sawyer will leave a hole at ABC's Good Morning America, where she was co-host with Robin Roberts. ABC said it had no immediate announcement on what will happen on that show, which is also second in the ratings to NBC.

Gibson's biggest impact at ABC is when he stepped into the breach during times of need. He had left Good Morning America, but the program was imploding in the ratings when ABC News President David Westin asked him and Sawyer to step in as anchors. What was originally envisioned as a stopgap of a few months turned into nearly a decade.

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Charles Gibson

After Peter Jennings' death from cancer in 2005, Westin replaced him with an anchor team of Woodruff and Elizabeth Vargas.

But after Woodruff was seriously hurt in a wartime injury and Vargas became pregnant, Gibson was asked to take over.

"We owe him much for the leadership he gave us when we needed it most," Westin said.

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| | 305 | 612 | 306 PIX | (6:45) *McLintock!* ★★★ (1963, Western) John Wayne. | | | | *The Mummy* ★★★ (1999, Adventure) Brendan Fraser. | | | | (11:10) *Dirty* |

## critics' corner

**Crimson Force**
Earth is running out of energy, but a possible source of more has been detected on Mars. The astronauts dispatched to find it discover something nobody was expecting: an alien civilization that's in the midst of a civil war. And the Earthlings' spacecraft has crashed, so they're stuck there. Tony Amendola ("Stargate SG-1"), C. Thomas Howell and David Chokachi ("Baywatch") star in this 2005 sci-fi tale. 9 PM on SPC

**The Seven Year Itch**
Billy Wilder directed and co-wrote this adaptation of George Axelrod's Broadway smash about a Manhattan husband (Tom Ewell, repeating his stage role) whose fantasies kick into overdrive when a beautiful woman (Marilyn Monroe) moves in upstairs while his family is out of town. Some of the jokes may seem dated today, but this 1955 comedy includes the famous scene of leading lady Monroe standing over a subway grate, which became a part of Hollywood iconography. 9 PM on V

## In brief

**SERIES** AMC's 1960s Madison Avenue drama, Mad Men, will return for a fourth season. The TV series debuted as a low-rated, critical darling but has seen its audience grow. Mad Men attracted an audience of 2.8 million for the Aug. 16 season premiere.

**DOCUMENT** Michael Jackson's death certificate has been amended to reflect his cause of death as a homicide, specifying "injection by another" as the fatal injury. The designation was not a surprise — coroner's officials said last week that they believed Jackson's death on June 25 was a homicide.

**HOST** Jerry Springer is coming back in the America's Got Talent fold — this time hosting a live version of the TV talent contest in Las Vegas. The show will run at least 10 weeks at the Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino starting in October.

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**No babies, or else: Spencer**
Are Spencer Pratt and Heidi Montag headed to divorce court? Possibly — if Montag, 22, gets pregnant, usmagazine.com reports. "He said, 'That's the quickest way to divorce,'" she told MTV News. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Celebrity Buzz

# DJ AM's death a suicide?

**TRAGIC** DJ AM swallowed a handful of painkillers and had another still in his throat when he was found dead on Aug. 28, a law enforcement source has alleged to People, popeater.com is reporting.

According to the report, Adam (DJ AM) Goldstein had eight undigested OxyContin pills in his stomach, which suggests he downed them quickly. The source believes Goldstein "was going unconscious when he took the last one. He didn't even swallow it," adding to the theory that the DJ committed suicide.

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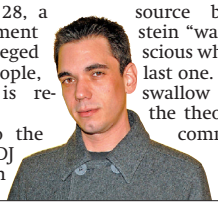

# Possible dad comes forward

**OUT OF THE WOODWORK** One proposed father of Michael Jackson's kids, dermatologist and Jackson friend Dr. Arnold Klein, is willing to take a paternity test, but only if it's what the kids want, his lawyer says.

"Whether he is or he isn't, it's not going to make him love these children any more or less," said his attorney.

Klein's goal is to keep a promise he made to their father to keep them out of show business, according to Kaplan.

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# It's official: LeAnn and Dean divorcing

**JUST A FORMALITY?** It's over for LeAnn Rimes and husband Dean Sheremet, people.com reports.

"After much thoughtful mutual consideration, Deane and I have agreed to move forward with dissolving our marriage," the country star wrote on her website, using the spelling of her husband's given name.

"This decision was amicable and we remain committed and caring friends with great admiration for one another. Thank you so much for all of your continued love and support — it is deeply appreciated."

Rimes, who turned 27 on Friday, married Sheremet in 2002 when she was 19 and he was 21. They separated amid allegations Rimes had an affair with actor Eddie Cibrian after the two met while filming the Lifetime movie Northern Lights last fall.

Cibrian, meanwhile, filed for divorce from wife Brandi Glanville last week.

Rimes' longtime friend, Dope Den Productions founder Jeff Berger, says that Rimes and Sheremet, a songwriter and former dancer, are "doing their best to handle it as mature adults."

"Dean's her best friend and that's the crux of the issue; when you love and care about somebody who's your best friend — how not to cause them pain," he said. "Le and Dean are both great people and, unfortunately, going through a tough situation. But they're doing what needs to be done in as amicable a way as possible."

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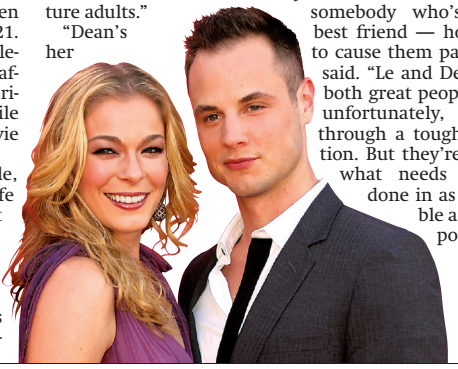

## Celebrity tweets

Kirstie Alley defends her right to be angry, John Mayer misses the simpler days of eating fish, and Shaquille O'Neal takes criticism in stride.

• @kirstiealley Oh God, I hate it when people tell me to CALM down etc. RAGE is a REAL emotion..I would never want to lose it..it indicates an injustice..

• @johncmayer All this new fancy seafood. Halibut. Talapia. What ever happened to a nice piece of cod?

• @THE_REAL_SHAQ went to the la zoo today, a chimpanzee spit at me, dam i must be ugly, lol

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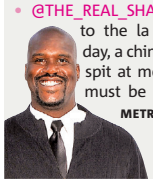

# I'm crazy like Marilyn Monroe, Megan insists

**STAY AWAY** She may not be a doctor, but Megan Fox has diagnosed herself as mentally ill.

"I definitely have some kind of mental problem and I haven't pinpointed what it is," Fox told Wonderland magazine. "I basically read every book ever written about Marilyn Monroe.

"I could end up like that because I constantly struggle with the idea that I think I'm a borderline personality — or that I have bouts of mild schizophrenia."

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# Kate abused me, Jon alleges

**ACCUSATION** In his first television interview since divorce papers were filed in June, Jon Gosselin lashes out at his estranged wife Kate for years of abuse during their 10-year marriage, usmagazine.com reports.

"I took a lot of abuse from her. I was put down," he said on ABC's Good Morning America. "She'll call me like, almost like a lame fish. Like I wasn't going anywhere."

He also says that she often left him with their eight kids because she was always away travelling.

"Well, excuse me, I'm taking care of the kids. She's on book tours, she's doing all these things. You know, she's gone a week. You know, comes back. Packs up and leaves again," Gosselin, 32, said. "I'm standing there like, 'Oh, OK. Your mom's gone again.'"

Things have been tense since they've split, he says. The reality star recalls last month when police were called to the family's $1.1 million US home in Wernersville, Pa., after Kate, 34, showed up unexpectedly when it was his time to be with the kids.

"I wouldn't let her in the gate," said Gosselin. "I said I'm spending time with my kids ... and she's going to have to leave and she tried to cry it up with the cops and it didn't work."

The full interview airs Tuesday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Brit pride in Beckham household

**THE MOTHERLAND** David Beckham is reportedly so worried about his three sons losing touch with their British roots that he has them watch BBC America at home as much as possible, a source tells the Sun.

"He wants his kids to appreciate their British heritage and its language, and thinks watching BBC America will keep them connected to their country of birth," the source said.

But there's one problem: The channel often airs programs starring Beckham's pal Gordon Ramsay, "which means he has to swiftly switch over to avoid the fruity language."

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# Jesus' DJing career a bust?

**WE ALL SAW THAT COMING** Jesus Luz, Madonna's 22-year-old Brazilian model boyfriend, has been pursuing his dream of becoming a DJ, but apparently the results so far have been less than stellar.

"In his last gig at Pacha, in Buzios, guests at the club said his set list wasn't captivating at all, and the dance floor was almost empty," a Brazilian source told Page Six. But Luz is undeterred.

"I'm going to travel around the world with my own tour, as a DJ," he told website Glamurama recently.

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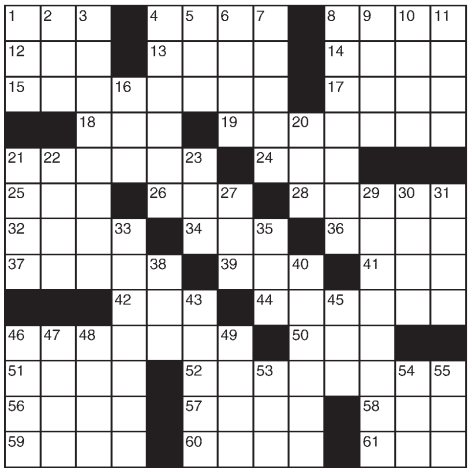

**ACROSS**

1 PC program
4 Delves
8 Carnelian variety
12 Chum
13 Worshipped one
14 Rip
15 "Merci"
17 Top-notch
18 "... or — to be"
19 1/100 of a mark
21 Quarterback Troy
24 Craze
25 Banned insecticide
26 Gratuity
28 Lukewarm
32 Shaving cream additive
34 "Phooey!"
36 Gaelic
37 Copycat birds
39 Profit
41 Pub order
42 Squealer
44 A Few Good Men director
46 Bankrupt
50 Wapiti
51 Eager
52 Free-mail privilege
56 Infamous lyre player
57 Surpasses
58 Caspian, e.g.
59 Metric measure
60 Agile
61 Height of fashion?

**DOWN**

1 Suitable
2 Oom follower
3 Krill, e.g.
4 Harsh decree
5 Slick, maybe
6 Yucky stuff
7 Form of tobacco
8 Seatless passenger
9 Very long time (Var.)
10 Hindu royal
11 Bottom-of-the-barrel bit
16 Artesian appellation
20 Nosh
21 Leading man?
22 Without acting
23 Pen point
27 Skillet
29 Mischievous
30 Man is one
31 Bambi, e.g.
33 Peer's place, perhaps
35 That girl
38 Put into words
40 Wee
43 University near Boston
45 Sort
46 Gunshot sound
47 Always
48 Old Italian money
49 Item on stage
53 Spring mo.
54 Born
55 Whale group

## Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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| | 2 | | | | | | 7 | |
| | | | 7 | | 8 | 6 | | 1 |
| | | | | | 1 | | | 4 |
| | | | 3 | 4 | | 9 | 8 | |
| 3 | 5 | | | | | 2 | | |

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| H | E | L | O | T | | D | O | I | N | | | |
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| Y | A | L | E | | T | O | R | T | | K | E | N |

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| 8 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 2 |
| 4 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| 5 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 4 |
| 6 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 1 |
| 9 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| 1 | 9 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 8 |
| 2 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 9 | 7 |
| 7 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 |

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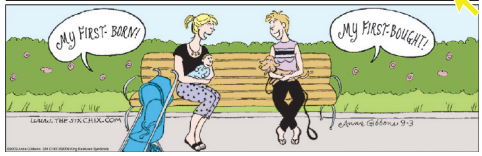


## Metro Recipe of the Day

### Summer Turkey Sausage Pasta

Submitted by Danielle Seguin, Brentwood Bay, B.C.

**INGREDIENTS:**

1/2 cup pine nuts
4 green onions, chopped
2 red peppers, chopped
2 tbsp sesame seeds
4 cooked turkey sausages
2 cups whole wheat pasta, such as fusilli
4 tbsp olive oil
2 tbsp balsamic vinegar

**METHOD:**

1. Combine pine nuts, raw green onions and sesame seeds in a bowl. Add olive oil and balsamic vinegar and toss. Set mixture aside.
2. Cook the turkey sausages in a non-stick frying pan on medium to low heat.
3. Cook pasta. Once the sausages are cooked, cut them into slices and add to the pine nut and onion mixture.
4. Drain the fat from the frying pan and toss in the chopped red pepper for 3 minutes, just to sear.
4. Add the peppers and pasta to the rest of the ingredients. Stir until thoroughly mixed and enjoy.

**SERVES 2**
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## Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.com

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**ARIES** ♈
**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**
As usual you're thinking of going it alone, but you'll find it easier to reach your goals if you team up with people who share your outlook on life.

**TAURUS** ♉
**APRIL 21-MAY 21**
Listen to your conscience and do as it tells you, even if it puts you on a collision course with people who don't share your values.

**GEMINI** ♊
**MAY 22-JUNE 21**
The right things seem to be happening at just the right time and the planets indicate you need only put a name to your desire to see it come true.

**CANCER** ♋
**JUNE 22-JULY 22**
If there's something you can do for someone today then do it and don't count the cost. That good deed will come back to you sooner than you think.

**LEO** ♌
**JULY 23-AUG 23**
Try not to let your heart rule your head today. Other people's tales of woe may sound credible but the planets warn it's most likely a trick.

**VIRGO** ♍
**AUG 24-SEPT 22**
It's all coming together. That's great, but don't take your good fortune for granted. Enjoy the present but don't stop planning for the future.

**LIBRA** ♎
**SEPT 23-OCT 23**
Any day can be a new beginning. If there is something that would make your life more rewarding, start thinking of ways you can get it. Then act.

**SCORPIO** ♏
**OCT 24-NOV 22**
Be kind to yourself today, tomorrow and over the weekend. Even a Scorpio has weak points and they'll be apparent while the moon is full. Be careful.

**SAGITTARIUS** ♐
**NOV 23-DEC 21**
It might be tempting to say what others want to hear, but you'll regret it later when you have to tell them the truth. Be honest with people today.

**CAPRICORN** ♑
**DEC 22-JAN 20**
Be nice to people, especially those who may be of use to you in the future. Give them the respect they deserve. Let them know you're there for them.

**AQUARIUS** ♒
**JAN 21-FEB 18**
This is a good time to plan your next vacation, especially if you've been stuck in one place too long. It won't be long before you are on the move.

**PISCES** ♓
**FEB 19-MARCH 20**
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BY TRICKY RICKY KANE

1. Convent women's hot dog holders (1)
2. African republic drum for a beatnik (2)
3. Made a bird's home less tidy (1)
4. Not-quite-legit lord's wife (2)
5. Conservative wing's tough spots (1)
6. Cancel a trayful of baking cookies (1)
7. Online newsgroup message bragging (2)

Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

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1. NUNS BUNS 2. CONGO BONGO 3. MESSED NEST 4. SLADY LADY
5. HIGHTS FLIGHTS 6. SCRATCH BATCH 7. POSTING BOASTING

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